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User Research Plan

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Introduction

Patpat.lk is a one stope e-commerce platform for lifestyles needs — whether it is for your favorite vehicle, next foreign or local trip, bachelor's degree, or your next dream property. Patpat.lk enables you to achieve your lifestyle whilst providing the best financial solutions to acquire it. You can now search with monthly installment that you can afford and will provide you with more enhanced options for your choice. Buy, sell, and lease your products at your convenience.

Advertisement seeker can create an account on patpat.lk application by giving basic personal information. Then user will be redirected to the home interface. You will see a list of vehicles, courses, holidays or properties that matches your monthly installment and further filtration you can use other sort and filter options. After clicking on your desired product from the list of options displayed, it will have the "Contact Seller" button.

Advertisement publisher can create an account as a advertisement publisher on patpat.lk application by giving basic personal information. Then the publisher can post advertisement by selecting relevant category in the advertisement posting window.

As a research group we have conducted the user research for the abovementioned user groups. Furthermore, we have organized interviews, published an online questionnaire to obtain their experience on the patpat.lk app.



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Test Objectives

- Evaluating the experience on patpat.lk log in / sign up
- Evaluating the experience on patpat.lk home page
- Evaluating the experience on patpat.lk search window
- Evaluating the experience on patpat.lk filters
- Evaluating the experience on patpat.lk posting advertisements
- Evaluating the experience on patpat.lk find advertisements
- Evaluating the experience on patpat.lk Wishlist
- Evaluating the experience on patpat.lk requesting quick lease
- Evaluating the experience on patpat.lk user profile



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Methodology

To better understand how users could utilize PatPat.lk mobile app and their attitudes towards advertisements, we interviewed users who fit PatPat.lk current targeted demographic and users who PatPat.lk aspires to target in the future. After analyzing the interviews, we gained a better understanding of the target demographic and how to provide appropriate recommendations to our clients. For our interview participants, we wanted most of them to be in the target demographic. However, we also wanted to interview people who were outside of this specific target demographic, such as college-aged students since our client had brought up expanding their market. We recruited these participants by asking our friends and classmates who fit the above categories. For interviews, we have selected two stakeholders as advertisement seeker and advertisement publisher. For questioner, we selected 20 groups of random people covering different demographics.

Interviewing

- Interview Method Zoom Online meeting
- Stakeholder Type Advertisements Publisher and Advertisements seeker
- All interviews lasted approximately 5 minutes and were conducted in person.
- Interview Question Types Questions covering all the functionalities of the mobile app

Script

Advertisements Publisher

- Could you categorize advertisements?
- What is\are the type of advertisement you publish?
- Can you recognize fields, buttons option easily?
- Can you upload multiple images?
- All the filters are worked or not?
- Rate overall advertisements publishing form (out of 5)?
- Rate a about experience of uploading images (out of 5)?
- Experience of login?
- Experience of sign up.
- Rate color theme (out of 5)?
- Rate user-friendliness of patpat.lk (out of 5)?
- Please give your valuable suggestions.



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Advertisements Seeker

- What type of advertisements you looking for?
- Could you filter advertisements?
- Experience about recognize filters by icons.
- All the filters are worked or not?
- Rate experience about wish list?
- Rate overall Advertisements seeking in PatPat.lk?
- Contact seller button working or not?
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Video Recording

Video Link:

https://1drv.ms/v/s!Aq6GuznMczp0gtl-K9SBDYg-JLRIPQ

Questionnaire

For our Questionnaire participants, we wanted most of them to be in the target demographic. However, we also wanted to interview people who were outside of this specific target demographic, such as college-aged students and school leavers. We published a google form to obtain their responses.

Google Form Link:

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Participant Profiles

Name	Demography	Location, Date, and Time
Mr. Malshan Katugampola	Age: 23	Sri Lanka
	Gender: Male	22 nd August 2021
	Occupation: Manager	21:46
Miss Thilakshi Hansini	Age: 23	Sri Lanka
	Gender: Female	22 nd August 2021
	Occupation: QA Engineer	22:22

User Research – Tasks/Scenarios

No	Task Instructions	Target	Probes
1	Open patpat.lk application		
	If you do not have account, be register	• Identify how user interact with sign up form / login form	User has trouble with unexpected error occurred from the system.
	Go to publish advertisement interface (Post Ad)	• To understand how user interact with bottom navigation	Use cannot understand menu icons clearly
	Select a category	 Understand how user going to interact with advertisement form 	• Icons are not clear to user
After providing your details submit your d submit button	Fill advertisement form details	See whether user able to provide suitable information to their advertisement	 Advertisement form is not user friendly (too long) Have to upload images one by one
	After providing your advertisement details submit your data by clicking submit button	• See whether advertisement publishing completed without errors and without taking much time	
	Go to user account (my patpat)	• See whether user is able to view user's	



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		advertisement in my advertisements section	
2	Open patpat.lk application		
	If you do not have account, be register	• Identify how user interact with sign up form / login form	• User has trouble with unexpected error occurred from the system.
	Go to the advertisement feed	• To understand how user interact with bottom navigation	Use cannot understand menu icons clearly
	Filter out advertisement by one of main category	Understand how user going to interact with main menu	• Icons are not clear to users
	Filter out advertisement by one of subcategory	• To test subcategory filters	Not filtered
	Add advertisement to Wishlist	• To check how user interact with Wishlist	
	Contact a seller	• To check API	Direct calling function is not worked
	Apply a quick lease	Check usability of quick lease form	• User has no idea what quick lease is

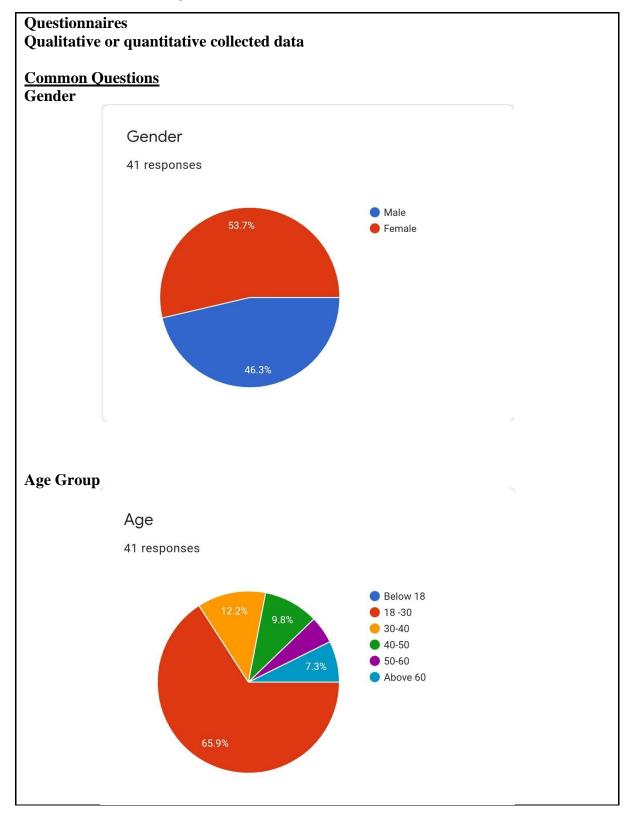


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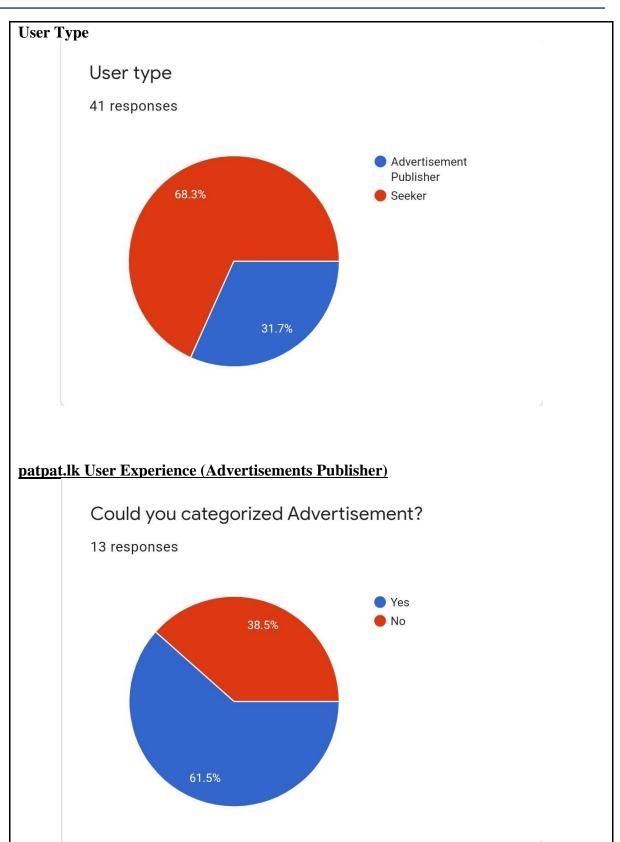
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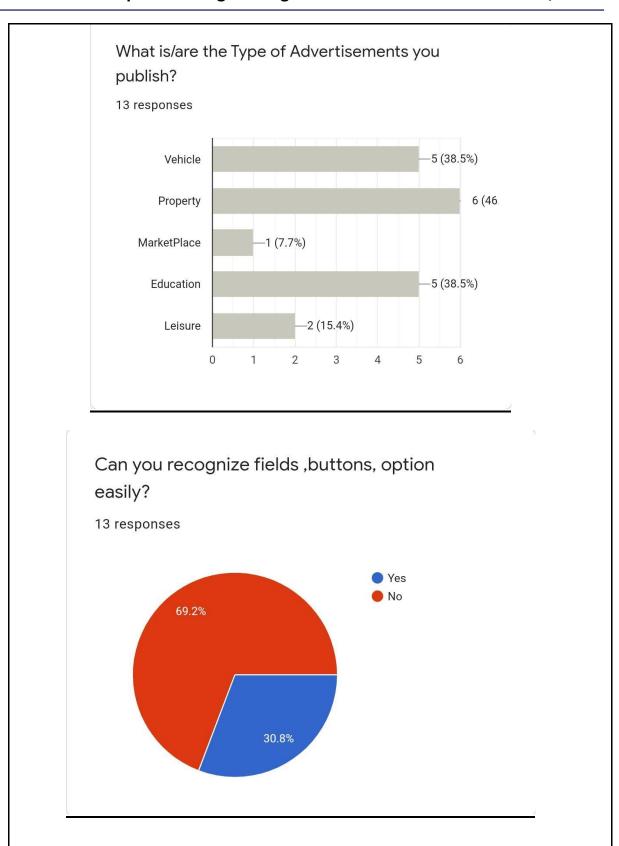
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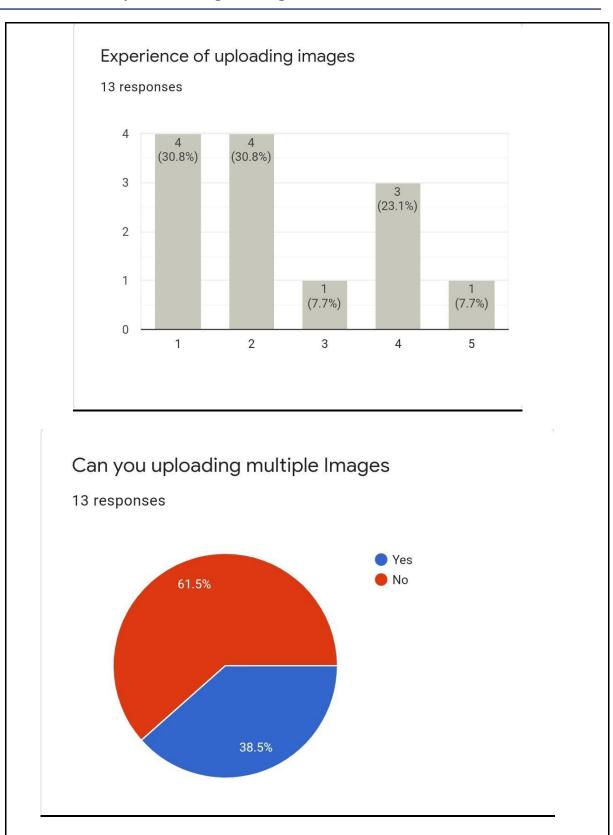
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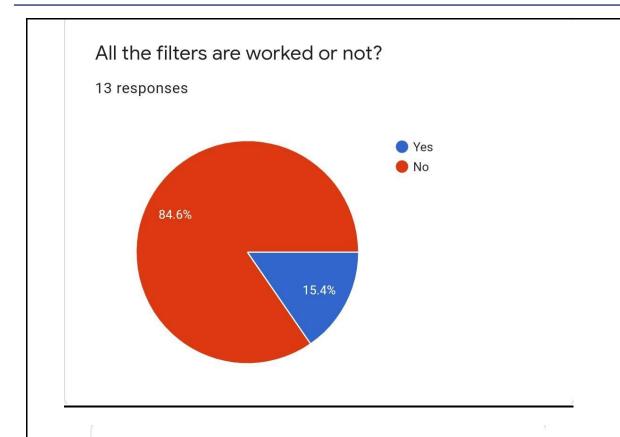


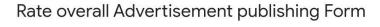


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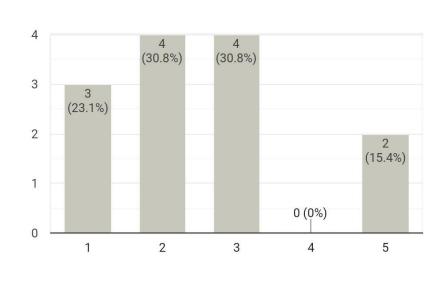
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13 responses

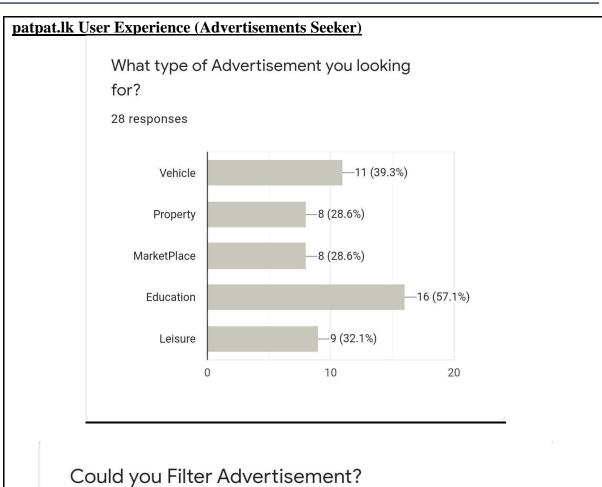




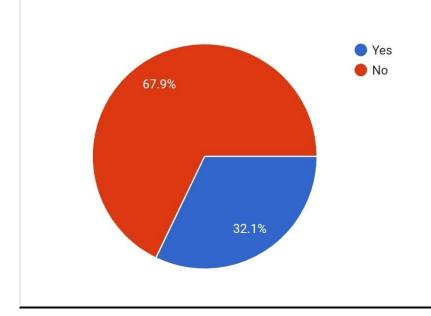
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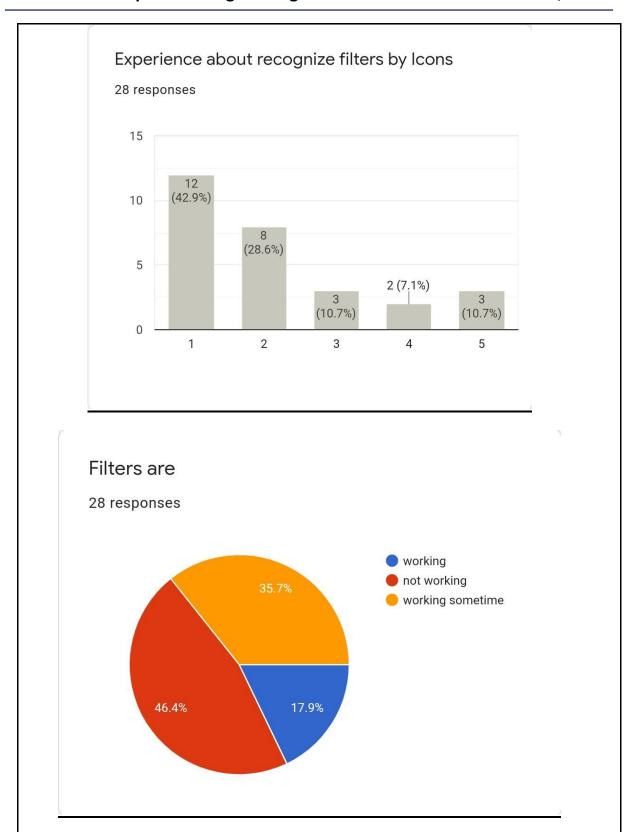
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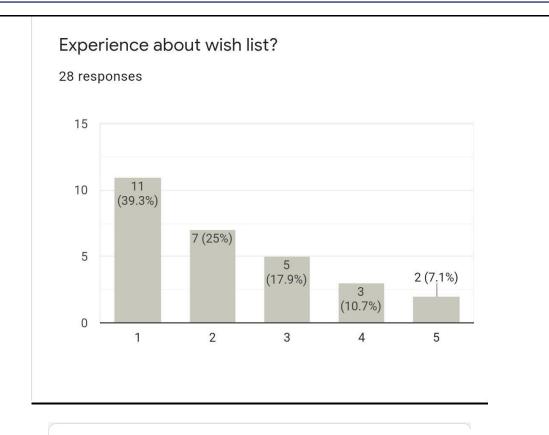
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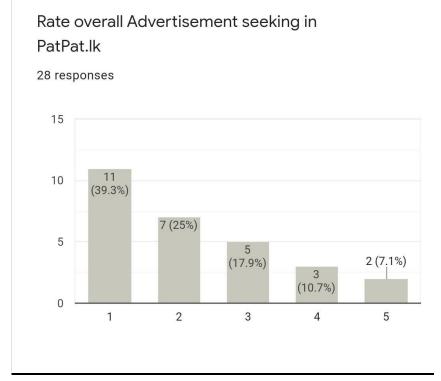




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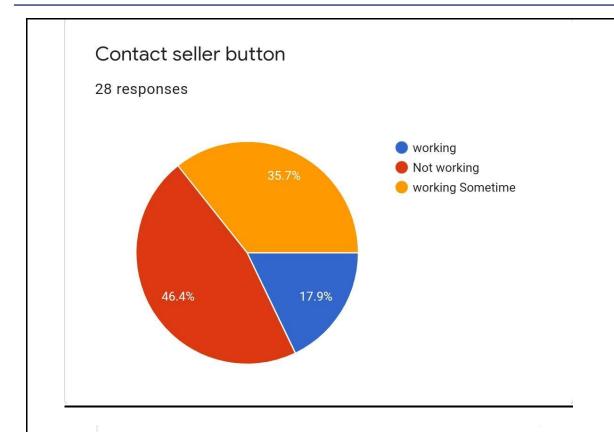


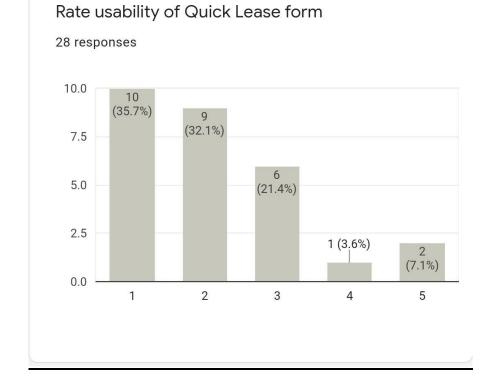




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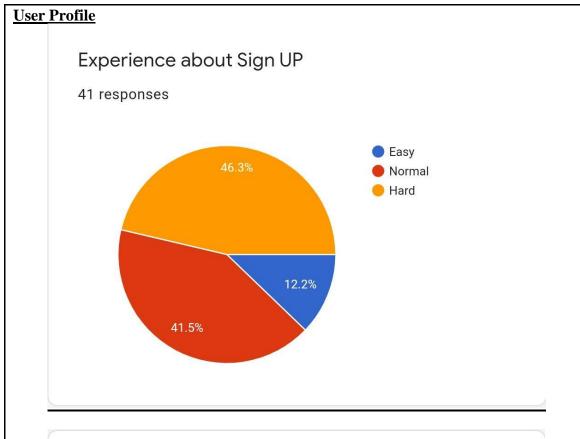


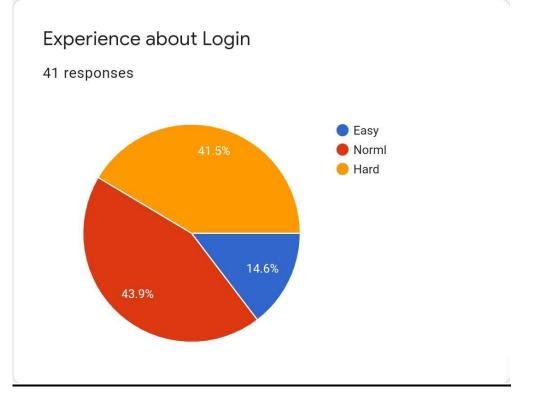




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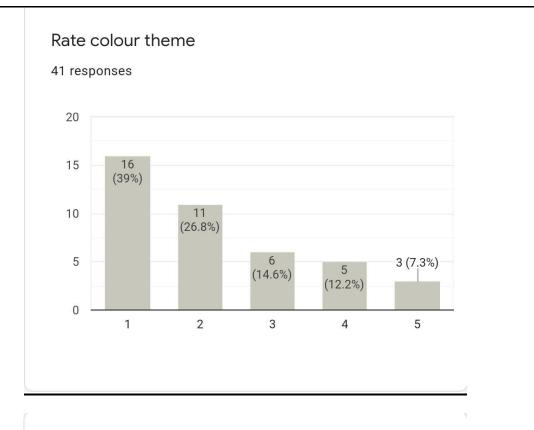


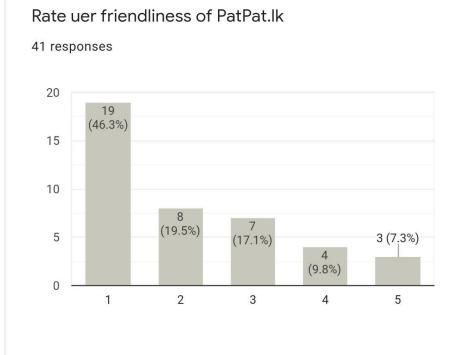




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Please give your valuable suggestions 11 responses Please consider more about ux The responses should be little bit quicker Efficient and effective app it is very useful, interesting and important for users All are bad Not very user friendly Vrry bad excellent experience

Detail analysis plan

We have conducted a survey about the user experiences on PatPat.lk mobile application. We identified that there can be 2 main types of users that can visit this app as the people who visit to publish an advertisement and the people who visit to explore items to purchase. The questions asked from each user was different according to their type. Most of the users who went through this survey questions were seekers who visited to explore items. Furthermore, many of them were aged between 18-30 years.

Also, if the developers pay more attention to the key features like the Login, sign in functions and

Majority of the Advertisement publishers could categorize their advertisements. There are 5 types of advertisements as vehicle, property, marketplace, education, and leisure. Equal portions of advertisement publishers wanted to publish vehicle and education advertisements and majority wanted to publish property advertisements. On the other hand, majority of the advertisement seekers wanted to explore educational advertisements.

Majority of the publishers could not recognize buttons, fields, and options clearly. And also experience of uploading images was below average for most of the advertisement publishers. Furthermore, advertisement publishing form was low rated by the users. Filters displayed in the navigations were confusing for majority of the users and the filters has not work all the time for them. Furthermore, wish list feature and quick lease feature has not satisfied the majority of the users who visited patpat.lk.

In addition to this, signing up for the application was harder than login to the app. Majority of the users responded as both the signing up and login were hard. Finally, color theme and the friendliness of the application were also rated low by the users.



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Interviews

Advertisements Publisher

- Could you categorize advertisements?
- What is/are the type of advertisement you publish?
- Can you recognize fields, buttons option easily?
- Can you upload multiple images?
- All the filters are worked or not?
- Rate overall advertisements publishing form (out of 5)?
- Rate a about experience of uploading images (out of 5)?
- Experience of login?
- Experience of sign up.
- Rate color theme (out of 5)?
- Rate user-friendliness of patpat.lk (out of 5)?
- Please give your valuable suggestions.

Advertisements Seeker

- What type of advertisements you are looking for?
- Could you filter advertisements?
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- Rate color theme (out of 5)?
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- Please give your valuable suggestions.

Qualitative or quantitative collected data

Advertisements Publisher		
Question	Answer	
Could you categorize advertisements?	To categorize, there was not filters I want, as an example I want to categorize HND but there is no filter for that.	
What is/are the type of advertisement you publish?	Marketplace Advertisement	
Can you recognize fields, buttons option easily?	No very bad design, very hard to use this app	
Can you upload multiple images?	No cannot upload multiple images	



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All the filters are worked or not?	Filters in vehicle section, there are not
	work properly, as an example, I filter out car advertisements but vans and
	other vehicles also there
Rate overall advertisements publishing	Too long form. Have to scroll too
form (out of 5)?	much. I like to rate 2 from 5
Rate a about experience of uploading	In this app, we should upload images
images (out of 5)?	one by one. So, I suggest bulk images
	upload feature to app.
Experience of login?	To login process, application takes too
	much time and also, we have to login
	every time after close the application
Experience of sign up.	To signup process, application takes
	too much time
Rate color theme (out of 5)?	3 out of 5
Rate user-friendliness of patpat.lk (out	1 out of 5
of 5)?	
Please give your valuable suggestions.	I suggest bulk images upload feature to
	app

Advertisements Seeker		
Question	Answer	
What type of advertisements you are looking for?	Vehicle Advertisement	
Could you filter advertisements?	Some filters are not working properly	
Experience about recognize filters by icons	Not bad. It was okay.	
All the filters are worked or not?	Some filters are not working properly	
Rate experience about Wishlist?	The user interface was unattractive. Cannot remove items in Wishlist	
Rate overall advertisements seeking in patpat.lk?	3 out 5	
Contact seller button working or not?	Not working	
Rate usability of quick lease form (out of 5)?	That form was so confusing. I can give 3 out of 5	
Experience of login?	It takes too much time. There are so many unexpected errors while logging	
Experience of sign up	It takes too much time	
Rate color theme (out of 5)?	2 out of 5	
Rate user-friendliness of patpat.lk (out of 5)?	2 out of 5	
Please give your valuable suggestions		



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Video recordings

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Qualitative or quantitative collected data Detail analysis plan

We conducted two interviews with two patpat.lk mobile application users. We covered all the functions in our interviews considering the failure points. The questions were chosen carefully after a discussion because we needed to get the exact feedback from the users.

The first interviewee was an advertisement publisher and the other one was an advertisement seeker. We could get both sides of the perspectives because of that.

They had bad experience with login and the main problem was that it took so much time. Filtering through advertisements was difficult for them and they mentioned that recognizing fields, buttons, filter icons and options were confusing too. Categorizing property advertisements was also raised by them because there is no way to separate various kinds of properties. The interface design was mentioned to be unattractive, and the experience of uploading images was also mentioned to be slow.