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• Problem Statement Title: Development of a

Digital Mental Health and Psychological Support

System for Students in Higher Education

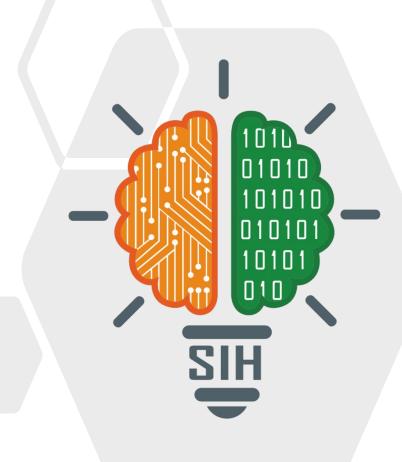
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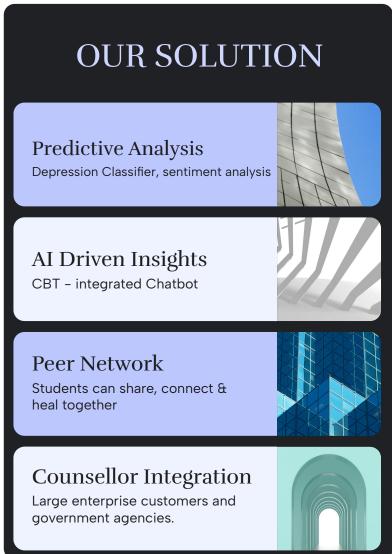


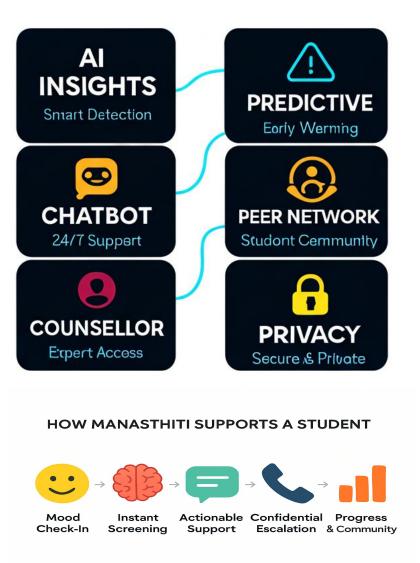


Manasthithi: Complete Mental Wellness Ecosystem -





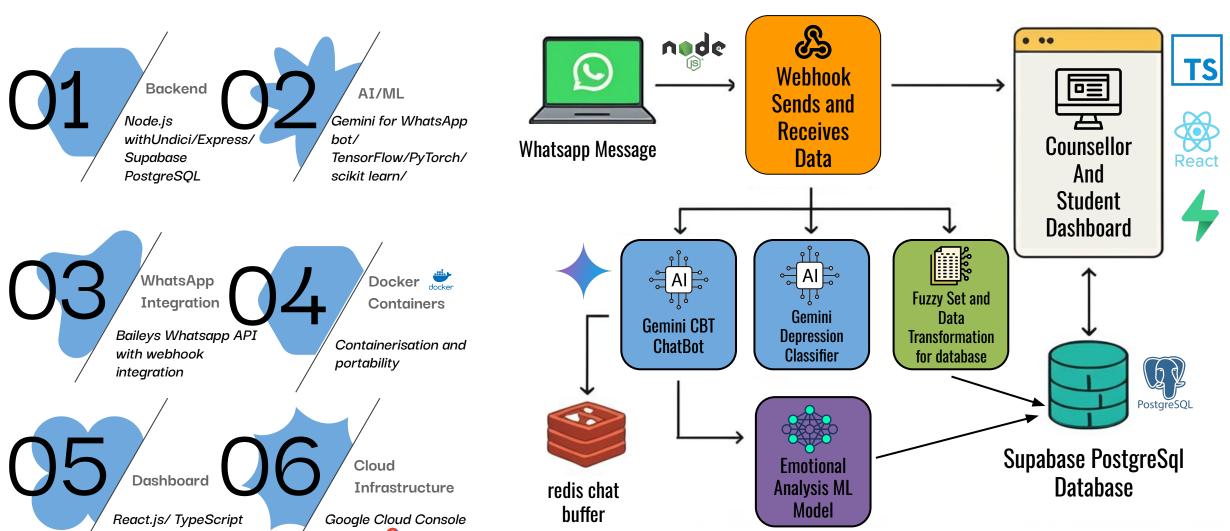




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TECHNICAL APPROACH







Data Collection

FEASIBILITY AND VIABILITY



1	Technical Feasibility	 High Accuracy Achieved WhatsApp Integration Scalable Architecture Low latency and Real time processing
2	Potential Challenges	 Data Privacy Concerns User Engagement Clinical Validation Algorithm Bias
3	Risk Mitigation Strategies	 Privacy Protection Engagement Enhancement Clinical Oversight Bias Prevention



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IMPACT AND BENEFITS



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Students

Early detection reduces risk of severe depression by 60% through timely intervention

Preventive Care

Early intervention costs

significantly less than

crisis intervention

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Counselors

Increased efficiency with 75% reduction in manual screening time

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Accessibility

24/7 support through WhatsApp removes geographical and time barriers 7

Stigma Reduction

Private, judgment-free initial screening encourages help-seeking behavior

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Remote Accessibility

Decreases travel requirements for counseling sessions

Scalability

One system can serve thousands of students simultaneously

Digital-First Approach

Reduces paper-based assessments and physical infrastructure needs



RESEARCH AND REFERENCES



(American Psychiatric Association) Are Therapy Chatbots Effective for Depression and Anxiety?

- Key Insight: Establishes the growing acceptance and evidence for AI-powered chatbots as a scalable first-line tool for mental health support.
- Source Type: Professional Association

<u>(PubMed Central - PMC3052992)</u> Internet-based versus face-to-face cognitive-behavioral intervention for depression: A randomized controlled non-inferiority trial.

- Key Insight: This study provides clinical evidence that digital interventions can be as effective as traditional face-to-face therapy, validating our tech-based approach.
- Source Type: Peer-Reviewed Journal

(NASSCOM Community)_AI/Digital Therapy Assistants: How AI Chatbots Support Mental Wellness.

- Key Insight: Highlights the industry trend and technological feasibility in India for using AI to bridge the mental healthcare gap, supporting our market relevance.
- Source Type: Industry Report

(National library of Medicine) Efficacy of Peer Support Interventions for Depression: A Meta-Analysis

- Key Insight: This high-level analysis of multiple studies provides strong clinical evidence that peer support significantly reduces depressive symptoms, validating our "Peer Network" feature as an effective and evidence-based part of the solution.
- Source Type: Meta-Analysis / Peer-Reviewed Medical Research