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Abstract

This project, titled "**Analyzing the Impact of Digital Learning on Rural Education,**" aims to assess the role of digital education in enhancing learning outcomes in rural India, aligning with Sustainable Development Goal 4 (SDG 4) - Quality Education. By leveraging datasets such as Education in India (which provides insights into enrollment trends, dropout rates, and teacher-student ratios), Internet Usage Rural VS Urban (highlighting digital connectivity disparities), Govt of India Literacy Rate (offering a state-wise literacy rate comparison), this study explores the digital divide and its implications for education in rural areas. The data will be stored and managed in a MySQL database for efficient querying, data preparation, and integration with Power BI. The analysis will focus on how digital access influences literacy rates, student enrollment, and retention, while also addressing regional disparities in internet access and infrastructure. The findings from these datasets will be visualized through an interactive Power BI dashboard to facilitate actionable insights for policymakers, educators, and stakeholders working towards achieving equitable and quality education in rural India, as outlined in SDG 4.

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Chapter 1.

Introduction

Education is a cornerstone of societal progress, and its quality significantly impacts a nation's economic growth and social development. In recent years, digital learning has emerged as a powerful tool to bridge educational gaps, offering flexible, scalable, and accessible learning solutions. However, the digital divide remains a critical barrier in India, where rural areas often struggle with inadequate infrastructure, limited digital literacy, and socio-economic challenges that hinder the effective adoption of digital learning.

This project, titled "Analyzing the Impact of Digital Learning on Rural Education," seeks to explore the impact of digital education on learning outcomes in rural India. By utilizing MySQL as the database for efficient data management and analysis, this study draws insights from key datasets such as Education in India (covering enrollment trends, dropout rates, and teacher-student ratios), Internet Usage Rural VS Urban (highlighting digital connectivity disparities), and Govt of India Literacy Rate (providing state-wise literacy comparisons). These datasets form the foundation for understanding how digital access influences literacy rates, student enrollment, and retention, while also shedding light on regional disparities in digital infrastructure.

Furthermore, this project aims to identify regional disparities in digital learning adoption, uncover patterns affecting student retention, and assess the impact of digital access on educational equity. The insights generated from this analysis will be presented through an interactive Power BI dashboard, providing policymakers, educators, and stakeholders with actionable information to drive targeted interventions and bridge the digital divide in education. This approach aligns with the

broader goal of ensuring quality education for all, as outlined in SDG 4, and contributes to building a more equitable and digitally inclusive education system in India.

Chapter 2.

SDLC of Project

The Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC) is a structured, step-by-step approach to planning, developing, testing, and deploying software projects. It provides a systematic way to deliver high-quality software within a defined timeline and budget. For this project, 'Analyzing the Impact of Digital Learning on Rural Education,' the SDLC ensures that all stages, from initial planning to final deployment, are carefully managed to produce reliable and insightful data analytics outputs.

- 1. Project Planning and Requirement Analysis:** This phase involves understanding the project's objectives, defining the scope, and identifying the specific requirements for successful completion.
 - *Key Steps:*
 - Define project goals aligned with the title 'Analyzing the Impact of Digital Learning on Rural Education.'
 - Identify data requirements, including datasets like 'Education in India,' 'Internet Usage Rural vs Urban,' and 'Govt of India Literacy Rate.'
 - Establish success criteria, such as generating meaningful insights into digital learning gaps in rural education.
- 2. System Design:** The design phase focuses on creating a blueprint for the project's architecture, data flow, and user interface.
 - *Key Steps:*
 - Plan data processing workflows and Power BI dashboard layout.

- Design a data model that integrates multiple datasets for comprehensive analysis.
- Outline key performance indicators (KPIs) like literacy rates, enrollment trends, and internet penetration.
- Plan for integrating MySQL as the primary database for structured data storage and management.

3. **Data Collection and Preparation:** This phase involves gathering, cleaning, and transforming raw data to ensure accuracy and consistency.

- *Key Steps:*

- Collect data from identified Kaggle datasets.
- Clean and preprocess the data to remove inconsistencies and handle missing values.
- Import the cleaned CSV files into MySQL for efficient querying and data management.
- Integrate data sources for seamless Power BI visualization through MySQL connections.

4. **Development:** This is the stage where the actual building of data pipelines, dashboards, and analytical models takes place.

- *Key Steps:*

- Build data pipelines to automate data extraction and processing.
- Use MySQL to store and manage structured data, enabling complex data joins and aggregations.
- Design Power BI dashboards with interactive charts, maps, and filters for data exploration.
- Implement DAX functions for advanced data analysis.

5. **Testing:** Testing ensures that the developed components work as expected and meet the project requirements.

- *Key Steps:*

- Validate data accuracy, dashboard functionality, and user interactions.
- Test for data consistency and responsiveness across different devices.
- Ensure the MySQL database connections are stable and queries are optimized for performance.
- Fix any bugs or issues identified during this phase.

6. **Deployment:** This phase involves publishing the final product for end-users or stakeholders to access.

- *Key Steps:*

- Publish the Power BI dashboard for public or organizational access.
- Ensure data security and scalability for real-world usage.
- Set up regular database updates to keep the dashboard data current and relevant.

7. **Maintenance and Improvement:** After deployment, ongoing maintenance is necessary to keep the dashboard updated and relevant.

- *Key Steps:*

- Regularly update the MySQL database with new data for continuous insights.
- Gather user feedback for ongoing improvements and feature enhancements.
- Optimize Power BI reports based on user interactions and changing data patterns.

This SDLC approach provides a structured, efficient, and outcome-focused development process, supporting the successful delivery of impactful educational insights through data analytics and visualization.

Chapter 3.

Design

The design should focus on effectively integrating multiple datasets, ensuring data quality, and creating impactful visualizations. Given the use of MySQL as the primary database, the design will also account for efficient data storage, querying, and management. Here's a structured design approach:

1. Project Architecture

- *Data Sources:*
 - a) Education in India Dataset (Enrollment, dropout rates, teacher-student ratios)
 - b) Internet Usage Rural vs Urban (Digital connectivity disparities)
 - c) Govt of India Literacy Rate (State-wise literacy levels)
- *Data Storage:*
 - a) MySQL Database for structured data storage and efficient querying
 - b) Google Drive / Kaggle Datasets
- *Data Processing:*
 - a) Python in Google Colab (Pandas, NumPy) for data cleaning and transformation
 - b) Import processed data to MySQL for centralized data management
- *Visualization:* Power BI for interactive dashboards connected to MySQL for real-time data updates

2. Data Flow and Integration

- *Data Ingestion:*
 - a) Import raw datasets from Kaggle to local storage
 - b) Preprocess the data in Google Colab (handling missing values, data type conversions)
 - c) Load cleaned data into MySQL for centralized data management
- *Data Preprocessing:*
 - a) Clean, transform, and merge datasets for consistency
 - b) Create structured tables in MySQL with primary and foreign keys for efficient data linking
- *Data Modeling:*
 - a) Design relational tables in MySQL to integrate multiple datasets
 - b) Establish relationships between tables for seamless Power BI integration
- *Data Analysis:*
 - a) Use MySQL for complex data aggregations and filtering
 - b) Apply statistical methods to identify key patterns and correlations before visualization

3. Dashboard Design (Power BI)

- *Pages:*
 - Overview of Digital Education in Rural India
 - Internet Penetration vs Education Outcomes
 - Gender Disparity in Digital Learning
 - Regional Analysis (State-wise comparisons)
- *Visual Elements:*
 - Bar Charts (Enrollment, dropout rates)
 - Line Charts (Trends over time)

- Maps (Regional distribution of literacy rates)
- KPIs (Digital Access Index, Student-Teacher Ratio)

4. Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

- Student Enrollment Rates
- Dropout Rates (Male vs Female)
- Literacy Rates by State (Rural vs Urban)
- Internet Penetration Rates
- Teacher-Student Ratios

5. Analytical Approach

- *Descriptive Analysis:* Summary statistics, data distributions using MySQL queries
- *Correlation Analysis:* Impact of internet access on educational outcomes
- *Comparative Analysis:* Urban vs Rural Education Metrics
- *Trend Analysis:* Changes in digital learning adoption over time

Chapter 4.

Coding and Implementation

To effectively implement this project, a combination of Google Colab (for data preprocessing and analysis), MySQL (for structured data storage), and Power BI (for visualization) will be used. The coding and implementation can be broadly broken down into the following steps:

1. Setting Up the Environment:

- Use Google Colab for Python coding, leveraging libraries like Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, Seaborn, and Plotly for data analysis and visualization.
- Ensure integration with Google Drive for easy data access.
- Set up a MySQL database on your local machine or cloud server for efficient data management and querying.
- Install the required libraries and MySQL Connector for seamless integration between Python and MySQL.

2. Data Import and Cleaning:

- Load the 'Education in India,' 'Internet Usage Rural VS Urban,' and 'Govt of India Literacy Rate' datasets.
- Perform data cleaning in Google Colab:
 - i. Handle missing values, remove duplicates, and format columns appropriately.
 - ii. Standardize column names for consistency across datasets.
- Import the cleaned data into MySQL to create structured tables for centralized storage and efficient querying.

- Use MySQL to define primary keys, foreign keys, and relationships between datasets for easier data integration.

3. Data Analysis and Transformation:

- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) in Google Colab to identify key patterns and trends.
- Use correlation analysis to measure the impact of digital learning on education outcomes.
- Implement data aggregation for state-level and district-level insights.
- Store the aggregated and transformed data in MySQL for faster access during visualization.
- Use SQL queries to prepare data summaries and calculated fields required for Power BI dashboards.

4. Data Visualization:

- Connect Power BI directly to the MySQL database for real-time data updates.
- Create interactive dashboards with charts, maps, and filters for dynamic data exploration.
- Implement DAX functions for advanced calculations, such as enrollment trends, dropout rates, and gender disparities.
- Design user-friendly interfaces that highlight key insights, including student enrollment, literacy rates, and internet penetration.

5. Reporting and Documentation:

- Document the code and analysis steps for project transparency.
- Maintain a MySQL data schema document to outline the structure of the database.
- Prepare a comprehensive project report summarizing findings and insights from the data analysis.

6. Final Review and Presentation:

- Review the code, MySQL database design, and Power BI dashboard for accuracy and completeness.
- Test data consistency and responsiveness across different devices.
- Prepare a presentation for the final project submission, including key findings, visualizations, and recommendations.

Below is the Python code executed in Google Colab:

Digital Learning Impact Analysis for Rural Education in India (SDG 4)

```
# Importing required libraries
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import plotly.express as px
import plotly.graph_objects as go
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')

# Mounting Google Drive for data access
from google.colab import drive
drive.mount('/content/drive')

Mounted at /content/drive

# File Paths (replace with your actual file paths from Google Drive)
education_file =
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enrollment_file =
'/content/drive/MyDrive/Major_Project/Student_Enrollment.csv'
dropout_file =
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# Loading the datasets
education_df = pd.read_csv(education_file)
internet_df = pd.read_csv(internet_file)
literacy_df = pd.read_csv(literacy_file)
enrollment_df = pd.read_csv(enrollment_file)
dropout_df = pd.read_csv(dropout_file)

# Previewing the datasets
print('Education Dataset:')
display(education_df.head())

print('\nInternet Usage Dataset:')
display(internet_df.head())

print('\nLiteracy Rate Dataset:')
display(literacy_df.head())
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print('\nStudent Enrollment Dataset:')
display(enrollment_df.head())

print('\nDropout Rates Dataset:')
display(dropout_df.head())

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dtypes: object(12)
memory usage: 8.3+ KB
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 35 entries, 0 to 34
Data columns (total 14 columns):
 #   Column           Non-Null Count  Dtype  
--- 
 0   Rank              35 non-null     int64  
 1   State             35 non-null     object  
 2   Capital           34 non-null     object  
 3   Population        35 non-null     object  
 4   % of Total Population 35 non-null     float64 

```

```

5   Males           35 non-null    object
6   Females          35 non-null    object
7   Sex Ratio        35 non-null    object
8   Literacy Rate (%) 35 non-null  float64
9   Rural Population 35 non-null    object
10  Urban Population 35 non-null    object
11  Area (km*km)    35 non-null    object
12  Density (1/km*km) 35 non-null    object
13  Decadal Growth (%) 35 non-null    object
dtypes: float64(2), int64(1), object(11)
memory usage: 4.0+ KB

# Checking for missing values
print('\nMissing Values in Datasets:')
print('Education Dataset:', education_df.isnull().sum().sum())
print('Internet Usage Dataset:', internet_df.isnull().sum().sum())
print('Literacy Rate Dataset:', literacy_df.isnull().sum().sum())
print('Student Enrollment Dataset:',
enrollment_df.isnull().sum().sum())
print('Dropout Rates Dataset:', dropout_df.isnull().sum().sum())

Missing Values in Datasets:
Education Dataset: 569
Internet Usage Dataset: 0
Literacy Rate Dataset: 0
Student Enrollment Dataset: 53
Dropout Rates Dataset: 1

# Initial Data Cleaning (Dropping NaNs and duplicates)
education_df.dropna(inplace=True)
education_df.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)

internet_df.dropna(inplace=True)
internet_df.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)

literacy_df.dropna(inplace=True)
literacy_df.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)

enrollment_df.dropna(inplace=True)
enrollment_df.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)

dropout_df.dropna(inplace=True)
dropout_df.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)

print('\nData cleaning completed.')

Data cleaning completed.

```

```

# Basic Summary Statistics
print('\nBasic Summary Statistics:')
print('\nEducation Data:')
print(education_df.describe())

print('\nInternet Usage Data:')
print(internet_df.describe())

print('\nLiteracy Rate Data:')
print(literacy_df.describe())

print('\nStudent Enrollment Data:')
print(enrollment_df.describe())

print('\nDropout Rates Data:')
print(dropout_df.describe())

Basic Summary Statistics:

Education Data:
      STATCD    DISTCD DISTRICTS    BLOCKS    VILLAGES \
count  625.000000  625.000000     625.0  625.000000  625.000000
mean   17.123200 1728.449600      1.0  11.196800  902.617600
std    9.585606  957.614955      0.0   9.844854  634.078639
min    1.000000 101.000000      1.0   1.000000   6.000000
25%    9.000000 928.000000      1.0   6.000000  399.000000
50%   18.000000 1817.000000      1.0   9.000000  819.000000
75%   24.000000 2410.000000      1.0  13.000000 1234.000000
max   36.000000 3610.000000      1.0  66.000000 3963.000000

      CLUSTERS    TOTPOPULAT    P_URB_POP POPULATION_0_6
GROWTHRATE ... \
count  625.000000 6.250000e+02  625.000000  6.250000e+02
625.000000 ...
mean   124.952000 1.888816e+06  24.721488  2.487723e+05
17.700576 ...
std    96.306507 1.518239e+06  18.988409  1.963243e+05
11.293000 ...
min    1.000000 7.948000e+03  -25.350000  1.103980e+03  -
58.390000 ...
25%   60.000000 8.240590e+05  11.370000  1.092593e+05
12.080000 ...
50%   105.000000 1.563107e+06  19.400000  2.040779e+05
17.090000 ...
75%   167.000000 2.585962e+06  32.400000  3.374011e+05
22.780000 ...
max   592.000000 1.105413e+07 100.000000  1.256855e+06
111.010000 ...

```

	UUNI_ALL	UUNI_SC	UUNI_ST	TOTCLS1G
TOTCLS2G \				
count	625.000000	625.000000	625.000000	625.000000
625.000000				
mean	47976.334400	11857.083200	5388.812800	4718.425600
3251.440000				
std	59291.695536	17020.437047	9558.063282	3957.180655
3349.302481				
min	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	24.000000
0.000000				
25%	7408.000000	715.000000	158.000000	2007.000000
712.000000				
50%	33599.000000	7164.000000	1175.000000	3712.000000
2074.000000				
75%	63080.000000	15701.000000	5766.000000	6183.000000
4935.000000				
max	511213.000000	153047.000000	68723.000000	24728.000000
25677.000000				
TOTCLS3G	TOTCLS4G	TOTCLS5G	TOTCLS6G	TOTCLS7G
TOTCLS7G				
count	625.000000	625.000000	625.000000	625.000000
625.000000				
mean	800.372800	926.480000	414.646400	733.729600
410.059200				
std	1335.467712	1463.457884	848.541153	1142.826513
970.904971				
min	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
0.000000				
25%	79.000000	16.000000	20.000000	160.000000
22.000000				
50%	277.000000	111.000000	84.000000	439.000000
120.000000				
75%	955.000000	1414.000000	496.000000	866.000000
341.000000				
max	16053.000000	8590.000000	8074.000000	15458.000000
11904.000000				
[8 rows x 816 columns]				
Internet Usage Data:				
States/UTs Area \				
count	111	111		
unique	37	3		
top	India	Urban		
freq	3	37		
Women (age 15-49) who have ever used the internet (%) \				
count			111	
unique			106	

```

top                                30.8
freq                               2

      Men (age 15-49) who have ever used the internet (%)

count                             111
unique                            99
top                               79.7
freq                               2

Literacy Rate Data:
    Literacy Rate (Persons) - Total - 2001 \
count                         36.000000
mean                          69.433333
std                           10.647709
min                           47.000000
25%                           62.975000
50%                           68.700000
75%                           77.225000
max                           90.900000

    Literacy Rate (Persons) - Total - 2011 \
count                         36.000000
mean                          77.711111
std                           8.497723
min                           61.800000
25%                           71.725000
50%                           76.600000
75%                           85.850000
max                           94.000000

    Literacy Rate (Persons) - Rural - 2001 \
count                         36.000000
mean                          64.669444
std                           11.459440
min                           43.900000
25%                           57.425000
50%                           63.300000
75%                           74.275000
max                           90.000000

    Literacy Rate (Persons) - Rural - 2011 \
count                         36.000000
mean                          73.413889
std                           9.190497
min                           59.800000
25%                           65.875000
50%                           71.900000
75%                           80.875000
max                           93.000000

```

	Literacy Rate (Persons) - Urban - 2001 \
count	36.000000
mean	82.161111
std	5.463138
min	69.800000
25%	79.275000
50%	81.850000
75%	84.925000
max	96.100000
	Literacy Rate (Persons) - Urban - 2011
count	36.000000
mean	86.283333
std	4.982856
min	75.100000
25%	83.175000
50%	86.250000
75%	89.650000
max	97.600000
	Student Enrollment Data:
	IS03 Countries and areas Region Sub-region Income
Group \	
count	68
68	68
unique	68
4	68
top (UM)	DZA
freq	1
25	Algeria
	SSA
	WCA
	Upper middle income
	Total Residence Rural Residence Urban Wealth quintile
Poorest \	
count	68
68	68
unique	46
46	40
top	4%
4%	1%
freq	3
3	9
	3
	24
	Wealth quintile Richest Data source Time
period	
count	68
68	68
unique	43
18	43
top	99%
99%	Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey

2018		
freq	6	42
13		

Dropout Rates Data:

	Rank	% of Total Population	Literacy Rate (%)
count	34.000000	34.000000	34.000000
mean	17.970588	2.910294	78.257353
std	10.399549	3.713324	8.517944
min	1.000000	0.010000	61.800000
25%	9.250000	0.112500	72.360000
50%	17.500000	1.740000	78.620000
75%	26.750000	5.035000	86.000000
max	35.000000	16.500000	94.000000

Data Preprocessing and Merging

Renaming columns for consistency (if needed)

```

education_df.columns =
education_df.columns.str.strip().str.lower().str.replace(' ', '_')
internet_df.columns =
internet_df.columns.str.strip().str.lower().str.replace(' ', '_')
literacy_df.columns =
literacy_df.columns.str.strip().str.lower().str.replace(' ', '_')
enrollment_df.columns =
enrollment_df.columns.str.strip().str.lower().str.replace(' ', '_')
dropout_df.columns =
dropout_df.columns.str.strip().str.lower().str.replace(' ', '_')

print("\nEducation Dataset Columns:", education_df.columns)
print("\nLiteracy Rate Dataset Columns:", literacy_df.columns)
print("\nInternet Usage Dataset Columns:", internet_df.columns)
print("\nStudent Enrollment Dataset Columns:", enrollment_df.columns)
print("\nDropout Rates Dataset Columns:", dropout_df.columns)

```

Education Dataset Columns:

```

Index(['ac_year', 'statcd', 'distcd', 'statname', 'distname',
'districts',
'blocks', 'villages', 'clusters', 'totpopulat',
...
'uuni_all', 'uuni_sc', 'uuni_st', 'totcls1g', 'totcls2g',
'totcls3g',
'totcls4g', 'totcls5g', 'totcls6g', 'totcls7g'],
dtype='object', length=819)

```

Literacy Rate Dataset Columns:

```

Index(['category', 'country/_states/_union_territories_name',
'literacy_rate_(persons)_-_total_-_2001',

```

```

'literacy_rate_(persons)_-total--2011',
'literacy_rate_(persons)_-rural--2001',
'literacy_rate_(persons)_-rural--2011',
'literacy_rate_(persons)_-urban--2001',
'literacy_rate_(persons)_-urban--2011'],
dtype='object')

Internet Usage Dataset Columns:
Index(['states/uts', 'area',
       'women_(age_15-49)_who_have_ever_used_the_internet_(%)',
       'men_(age_15-49)_who_have_ever_used_the_internet_(%)'],
      dtype='object')

Student Enrollment Dataset Columns:
Index(['iso3', 'countries_and_areas', 'region', 'sub-region',
       'income_group',
       'total', 'residence_rural', 'residence_urban',
       'wealth_quintile_poorest', 'wealth_quintile_richest',
       'data_source',
       'time_period'],
      dtype='object')

Dropout Rates Dataset Columns:
Index(['rank', 'state', 'capital', 'population',
       '%_of_total_population',
       'males', 'females', 'sex_ratio', 'literacy_rate_(%)',
       'rural_population', 'urban_population', 'area_(km*km)',
       'density_(1/km*km)', 'decadal_growth_(%)'],
      dtype='object')

education_df.rename(columns={"STATNAME": "state"}, inplace=True)
literacy_df.rename(columns={"country/_states/_union_territories_name": "state"}, inplace=True)
internet_df.rename(columns={"states/uts": "state"}, inplace=True)
enrollment_df.rename(columns={"countries_and_areas": "state"}, inplace=True)
dropout_df.rename(columns={"state": "state"}, inplace=True)

print(set(education_df.columns).intersection(set(literacy_df.columns)))
print(set(education_df.columns).intersection(set(internet_df.columns)))
print(set(education_df.columns).intersection(set(enrollment_df.columns)))
print(set(education_df.columns).intersection(set(dropout_df.columns)))

set()
set()
set()
set()

```

```

# Merging the datasets using common keys ("state", "region", or
"state/ut")
possible_keys = ['statname', 'region', 'state/ut']

common_key = None
for key in possible_keys:
    if key in education_df.columns:
        common_key = key
        print(f"\nUsing '{common_key}' as the common key for
merging.")
        break

if common_key is None:
    raise KeyError('No common key ("statname", "region", or
"state/ut") found in Education dataset.')

merged_df = education_df

for df in [literacy_df, internet_df, enrollment_df, dropout_df]:
    if common_key in df.columns:
        print(f"\nMerging on column: {common_key}")
        merged_df = merged_df.merge(df, on=common_key, how='inner')
    else:
        print(f"\nWarning: Common key '{common_key}' not found in
dataset. Skipping this dataset.")

print('\nMerged Dataset Preview:')
display(merged_df.head())

Using 'statname' as the common key for merging.

Warning: Common key 'statname' not found in dataset. Skipping this
dataset.

Warning: Common key 'statname' not found in dataset. Skipping this
dataset.

Warning: Common key 'statname' not found in dataset. Skipping this
dataset.

Warning: Common key 'statname' not found in dataset. Skipping this
dataset.

Merged Dataset Preview:
{"type": "dataframe"}

# Checking for any remaining missing values after merging
print('\nMissing Values after Merging:',
merged_df.isnull().sum().sum())

```

```
Missing Values after Merging: 0

# Final Clean-Up
merged_df.dropna(inplace=True)
merged_df.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)

print('\nFinal Dataset Shape:', merged_df.shape)
print('\nFinal Dataset Columns:', merged_df.columns)

Final Dataset Shape: (625, 819)

Final Dataset Columns: Index(['ac_year', 'statcd', 'distcd',
'statname', 'distname', 'districts',
'blocks', 'villages', 'clusters', 'totpopulat',
'',
'uuni_all', 'uuni_sc', 'uuni_st', 'totcls1g', 'totcls2g',
'totcls3g',
'totcls4g', 'totcls5g', 'totcls6g', 'totcls7g'],
dtype='object', length=819)

# Saving the cleaned and merged dataset for Power BI
merged_df.to_csv('/content/drive/MyDrive/Major_Project/Cleaned_Merged_
Dataset.csv', index=False)
print('\nCleaned and Merged Dataset saved successfully.')

Cleaned and Merged Dataset saved successfully.
```

Below are the step-by-step MySQL procedures to create a database and connect it to Power BI for creating charts:

```
Command Prompt - mysql -u      +  ▾
C:\Users\anjal>mysql --version
mysql Ver 8.0.42 for Win64 on x86_64 (MySQL Community Server - GPL)

C:\Users\anjal>mysql -u root -p
Enter password: *****
Welcome to the MySQL monitor. Commands end with ; or \g.
Your MySQL connection id is 12
Server version: 8.0.42 MySQL Community Server - GPL

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owners.

Type 'help;' or '\h' for help. Type '\c' to clear the current input statement.

mysql> show databases;
+-----+
| Database      |
+-----+
| information_schema |
| mysql          |
| performance_schema |
| sys            |
+-----+
4 rows in set (0.00 sec)
```

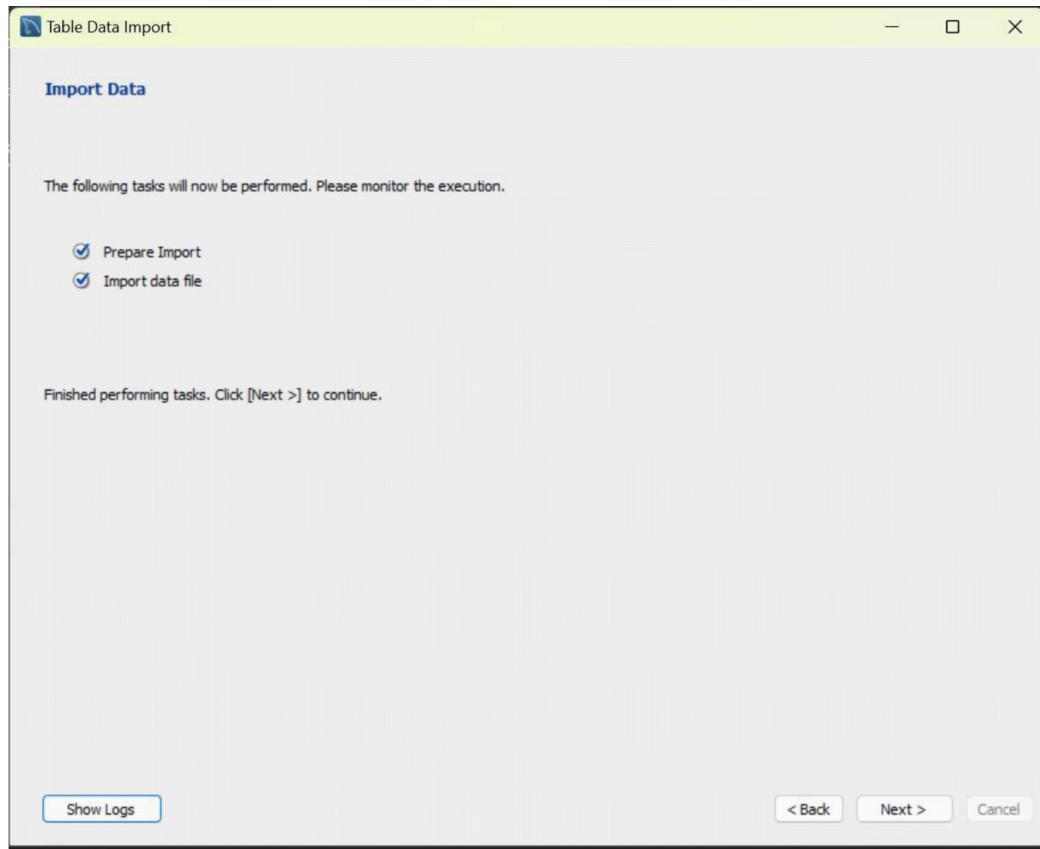
```
Command Prompt - mysql -u      +  ▾
mysql> CREATE DATABASE IF NOT EXISTS rural_education;
Query OK, 1 row affected (0.01 sec)

mysql> USE rural_education;
Database changed
mysql>
```

```
Command Prompt - mysql -u X + v - □ ×
mysql> SHOW TABLES;
+-----+
| Tables_in_rural_education |
+-----+
| cleaned_merged_dataset   |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)

mysql> SELECT COUNT(*) FROM cleaned_merged_dataset;
+-----+
| COUNT(*) |
+-----+
|      625 |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.02 sec)

mysql> SELECT * FROM cleaned_merged_dataset LIMIT 5;
```



```
Command Prompt - mysql -u + v - x

mysql> CREATE USER 'root'@'%' IDENTIFIED BY 'AK06@mca';
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.04 sec)

mysql> GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON rural_education.* TO 'root'@'%';
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.01 sec)

mysql> FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.01 sec)

mysql> |
```

MySQL Connector/ODBC Data Source Configuration

X



Connector/ODBC



Connection Parameters

Data Source Name: MYSQl_rural_education

Description:

TCP/IP Server: 127.0.0.1 Port: 3306

Named Pipe:

User: root

Password: * * * * *

Database: rural_education

[Details >>](#)

Test Result

X

Connection successful

OK

From ODBC

Data source name (DSN)

MySQL_rural_education

▷ Advanced options

OK

Cancel

Navigator

Display Options

ODBC (dsn=MYSQL_rural_education) [5]

- information_schema
- mysql [38]
- performance_schema [111]
- rural_education [1]
- cleaned_merged_dataset**
- sys

cleaned_merged_dataset

ac_year	statcd	distcd	statname	distname	districts
2015-16	1	101	JAMMU & KASHMIR	KUPWARA	

The data in the preview has been truncated due to size limits.

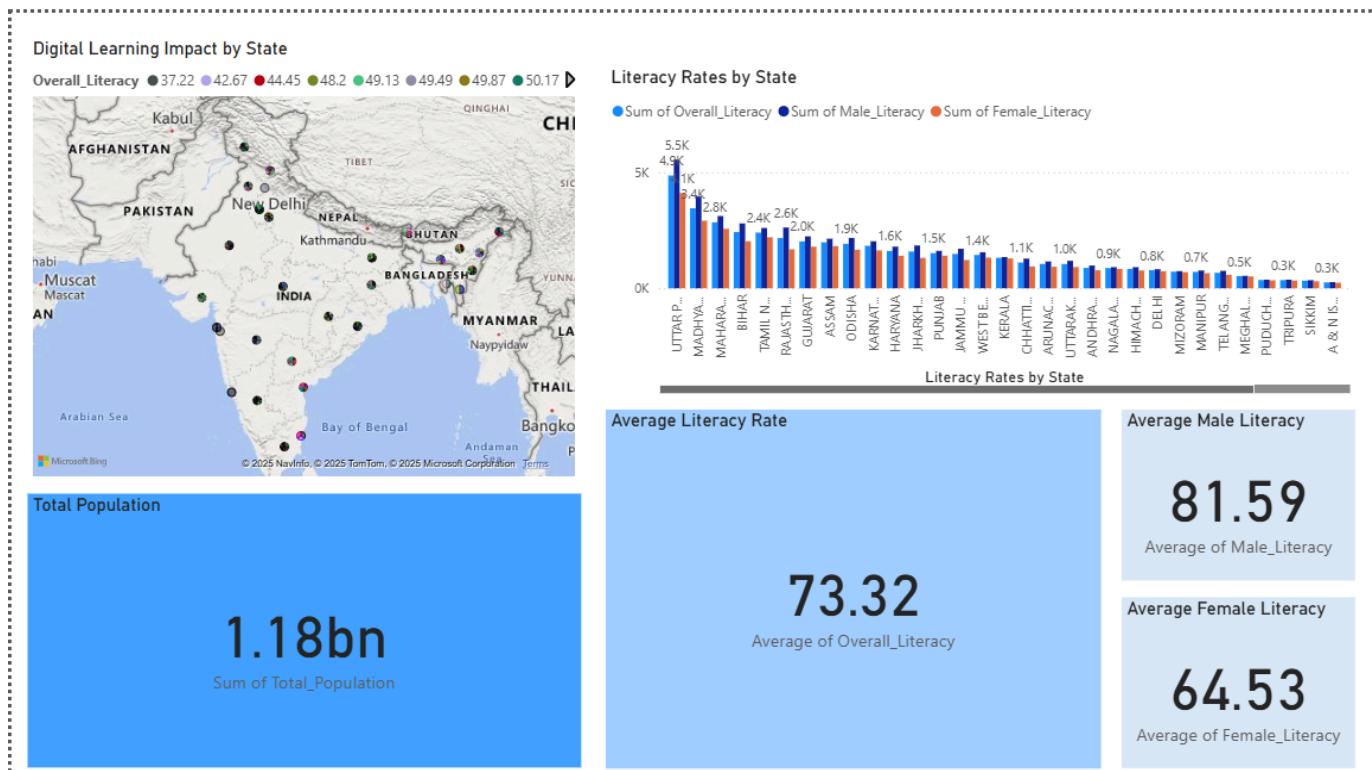
< >

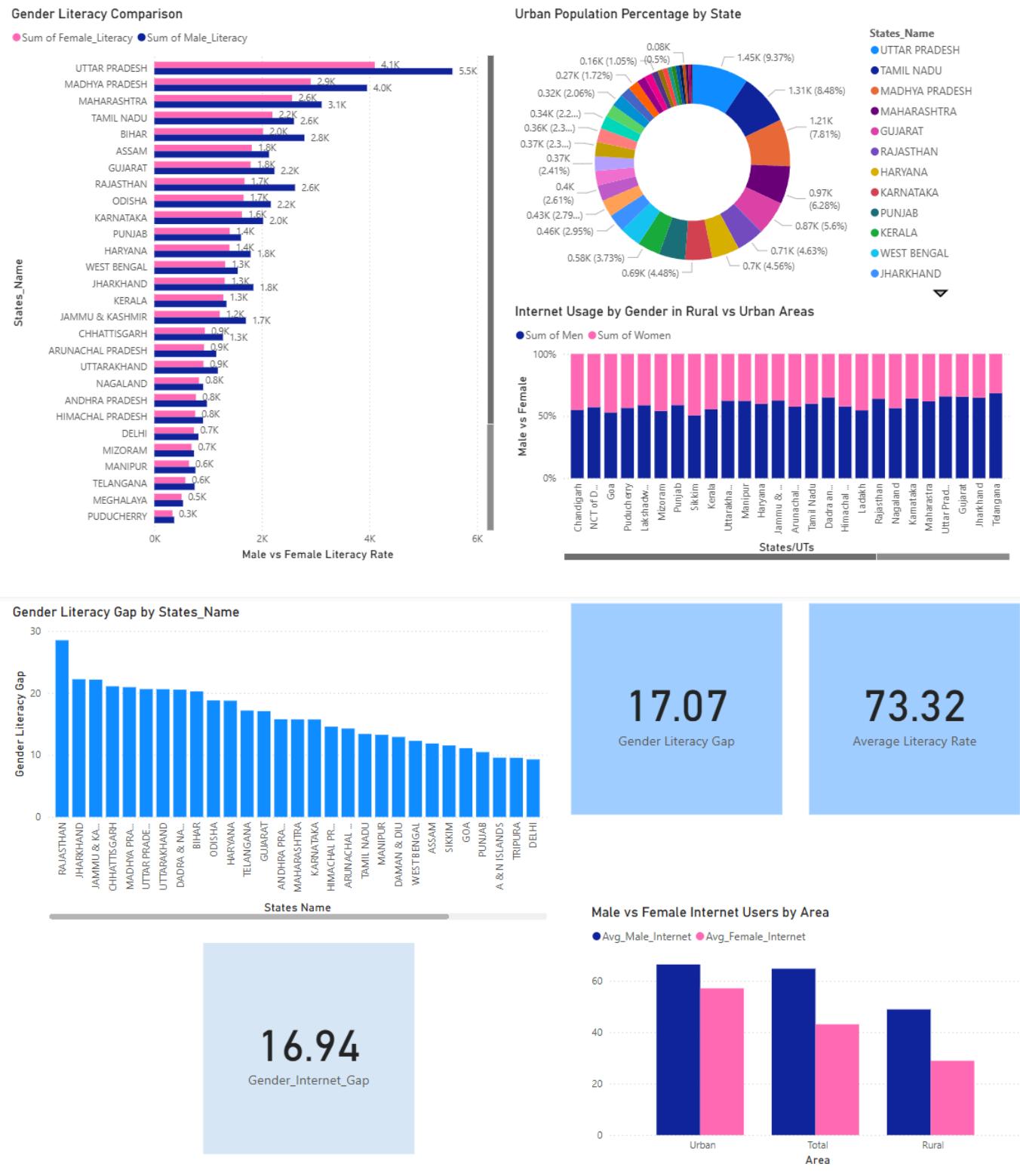
Select Related Tables

Load **Transform Data** **Cancel**

The screenshot shows a software interface titled 'Navigator'. On the left, there's a tree view of a database connection named 'ODBC (dsn=MYSQL_rural_education) [5]'. Under this connection, several schemas are listed: 'information_schema', 'mysql [38]', 'performance_schema [111]', 'rural_education [1]', and 'cleaned_merged_dataset'. The 'cleaned_merged_dataset' schema is currently selected, indicated by a checked checkbox next to its name. On the right, a preview of the 'cleaned_merged_dataset' table is shown. The table has six columns: 'ac_year', 'statcd', 'distcd', 'statname', 'distname', and 'districts'. A single row is displayed: '2015-16' in 'ac_year', '1' in 'statcd', '101' in 'distcd', 'JAMMU & KASHMIR' in 'statname', 'KUPWARA' in 'distname', and an empty string in 'districts'. A note below the table states, 'The data in the preview has been truncated due to size limits.' At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Select Related Tables', 'Load' (which is highlighted in green), 'Transform Data', and 'Cancel'.

The following are screenshots of the Power BI dashboard:





The following screenshots illustrate the DAX functions used in Power BI:

```
Avg_Male_Internet = AVERAGE('Internet_Usage_Rural_vs_Urban'[men])
```

```
Average Literacy Rate = AVERAGE('cleaned_merged_dataset'[Overall_Literacy])
```

```
Gender_Internet_Gap =
[Avg_Male_Internet] - [Avg_Female_Internet]
```

```
Gender Literacy Gap = AVERAGE('cleaned_merged_dataset'[Male_Literacy]) - AVERAGE('cleaned_merged_dataset'[Female_Literacy])
```

Chapter 5.

Testing

Testing is a critical phase in the Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC) that ensures the reliability, accuracy, and effectiveness of the data analytics project. It involves validating the data, checking the functionality of MySQL database queries, Power BI dashboards, and ensuring the overall integrity of the analysis. The key testing phases include:

1. Data Validation and Integrity Testing:

- Ensure data accuracy and consistency across different datasets (e.g., Education in India, Internet Usage Rural vs Urban, Govt of India Literacy Rate).
- Verify data types, missing values, and outliers.
- Check for proper data merging, aggregation, and relationship integrity within MySQL before connecting to Power BI.
- Validate that data imported from MySQL into Power BI is correctly mapped and formatted.

2. Functional Testing:

- Test each Power BI dashboard element (charts, graphs, maps, filters) to ensure they display the correct data from the MySQL database.
- Validate that interactive features like slicers, drill-through, and filters work as intended with live MySQL data.
- Ensure accurate calculations for KPIs like literacy rates, student-teacher ratios, and dropout rates, including verifying MySQL queries for data accuracy.

3. Performance Testing:

- Assess the loading time and responsiveness of Power BI dashboards connected to the MySQL database.
- Optimize MySQL data queries to reduce processing time and improve dashboard speed.
- Test for scalability with larger datasets in the MySQL database to ensure future data expansion is supported.

4. Usability Testing:

- Check the overall design, layout, and user experience of the Power BI dashboards.
- Ensure data is presented in a clear, understandable, and visually appealing format, with effective MySQL data integration.
- Collect user feedback to identify areas for improvement in the dashboard design and MySQL data organization.

5. Security and Data Privacy Testing:

- Verify that sensitive data in the MySQL database is protected, and access controls are properly configured.
- Ensure data sources are secure and comply with data privacy regulations.
- Test MySQL user roles and permissions to prevent unauthorized access.

6. Cross-Device Compatibility Testing:

- Test the dashboard on different devices (PC, tablet, mobile) to ensure consistent performance with live data from MySQL.
- Check for responsive design and mobile-friendliness in the Power BI dashboards.

7. Regression Testing:

- After each update, ensure that previously tested functionalities still work as expected.

- Validate that new features or data updates in the MySQL database do not break existing functionality in Power BI.

8. User Acceptance Testing (UAT):

- Conduct final testing with real-world users, such as students, teachers, or education policymakers.
- Gather feedback to ensure the project meets user expectations and project goals, including verifying MySQL data accuracy and Power BI dashboard effectiveness.

Chapter 6.

Application

This project aims to bridge the digital divide in education by leveraging data to uncover insights that can drive meaningful change in rural education systems. The application of this project extends across multiple domains:

1. Educational Policy and Planning:

- *Data-Driven Decisions:* Helps policymakers identify regions with low digital penetration and high dropout rates, guiding resource allocation for digital infrastructure.
- *Impact Assessment:* Assesses the effectiveness of government initiatives like Digital India and PM eVidya in rural areas.
- *Funding Prioritization:* Supports data-backed funding decisions for digital education projects in underserved regions.

2. Educational Institutions and NGOs:

- *Student Retention Programs:* Identifies factors contributing to dropout rates, helping schools and NGOs design targeted retention strategies.
- *Curriculum Enhancement:* Provides insights into the digital readiness of students, guiding curriculum adjustments to include more digital literacy components.
- *Teacher Training:* Highlights regions with high student-teacher ratios, encouraging training programs for educators in digital teaching methods.

3. Technology Providers and EdTech Startups:

- *Market Expansion:* Identifies potential markets for digital learning tools and platforms.
- *Product Development:* Guides the development of region-specific digital learning solutions based on connectivity and digital readiness.

4. Academic Research and Advocacy:

- *Research Studies:* Provides a foundation for further research on digital learning's impact on educational outcomes.
- *Advocacy and Awareness:* Supports NGOs and advocacy groups in promoting digital literacy and bridging the rural-urban education gap.

5. Student and Teacher Empowerment:

- *Skill Development:* Encourages digital skill development among rural students, preparing them for a tech-driven job market.
- *Digital Inclusion:* Promotes educational equity by providing insights into areas with limited digital access.

[Project GitHub Link](#)

Chapter 7.

Conclusion

This project successfully highlights the critical role of digital learning in transforming rural education in India, aligning with Sustainable Development Goal 4 (SDG 4) - Quality Education. Through comprehensive data analysis using datasets like Education in India, Internet Usage Rural vs Urban, and Govt of India Literacy Rate, it provides valuable insights into the challenges and opportunities for digital education in rural areas.

The analysis reveals significant disparities in digital access and educational outcomes, emphasizing the need for targeted interventions to bridge the digital divide. It underscores the importance of internet connectivity, digital literacy, and educational infrastructure in improving enrollment rates, reducing dropout rates, and enhancing overall learning outcomes. MySQL has been used as the database to centralize the data management, allowing for efficient querying and aggregation of datasets to draw meaningful insights.

The project's Power BI dashboard offers an interactive platform for visualizing these insights, empowering policymakers, educators, and NGOs to make data-driven decisions. The real-time connection to MySQL ensures that the dashboard is continuously updated with the latest data, providing up-to-date information for stakeholders.

By identifying key performance indicators (KPIs) such as student enrollment rates, teacher-student ratios, and digital access levels, this project provides a roadmap for enhancing digital education in rural India. It also highlights the potential for data

analytics to drive impactful educational reforms, fostering a more inclusive and equitable learning environment for all.

Moving forward, continuous data updates, real-time monitoring via MySQL integration, and localized policy interventions can further strengthen the impact of digital learning, ensuring that no student is left behind in the digital era. Through ongoing analysis and dashboard updates, the project lays the foundation for future educational initiatives aimed at bridging gaps and improving digital access across rural India.

Chapter 8.

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