

PROJECT PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

1. Team Name: Team bits

2. Team Members' Introduction:

We are a group of **second-year Computer Science and Engineering undergraduates** from the **University of Moratuwa**, passionate about building data-driven solutions for real-world challenges. Our team combines strengths in software engineering, AI/ML, data science, and cloud technologies to create impactful and scalable systems.

- **W.S.S Jayawardhana** – Team Leader
- **M.D.S Gangadari** – Team Member
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3. Solution Name: AgriLink– Real-Time Agri-Price Alert API

4. Problem Addressed:

Small-scale farmers, sellers, and consumers in Sri Lanka often suffer from unpredictable and unstable market prices for **agricultural products** such as **vegetables, rice, grains, fruits**, and more. Lack of real-time and localized price information leads to poor selling decisions, financial losses, food waste, and uninformed purchases. There's a critical need for an affordable, accessible system that delivers timely and intelligent price updates across the country.

5. Solution for the Problem:

AgriLink is a real-time, AI-powered agri-price alerting system built using **mSpace APIs**, which delivers:

- Instant or daily **SMS-based price alerts** for a variety of agricultural products.
- **AI-driven price trend predictions** using historical data.
- **Localized alerts** by province/district to match regional markets.
- A RESTful API that integrates with farmer platforms, e-commerce systems, or standalone mobile/web apps.
- A user-friendly website with an integrated chatbot interface, connected to our price alert API and SMS sending mechanism, allowing farmers to check current prices and receive notifications.

6. Key Features of the Solution:

- **Real-time SMS Notifications:**
Get real-time or scheduled price alerts for vegetables, rice, grains, and fruits using mSpace Messaging API.
- **AI-based Forecasting Engine:**
Predict short-term price fluctuations using **ARIMA** or **LSTM** models, supported by GenAI for summarization.
- **Personalized Price Alerts:**
Receive SMS when specific vegetable prices go above/below user-defined thresholds (e.g., “Notify me when carrot > Rs. 120/kg”).
- **Location-based Customization:**
Farmers receive alerts relevant to their local markets (e.g., Kandy, Jaffna, Galle).
- **Open REST API:**
Third-party agriculture apps or cooperatives can integrate our alert service.
- **Admin Web Dashboard (Optional):**
Web interface to manage user subscriptions, configure alerts, and monitor API usage.

7. mSpace APIs That Will Be Used:

- **Messaging API:** To send SMS alerts and replies to users.
- **Location API (if available):** To personalize price alerts based on the user's area.
- **Subscription Management API:** To manage user subscriptions, price thresholds, and preferences.

If further confirmation is needed, we will email our final API selections within a week.

8. Generative AI Tools That Will Be Used:

- **OpenAI GPT (via API):** To generate trend summaries and human-friendly insights such as: “Onion prices are expected to increase next week due to supply drop in Dambulla.”
- **Sinhala/Tamil Prompt Engineering:**
Messages will be auto-translated and customized using fine-tuned prompts for local language clarity.
- **Natural Language Query Handler:**
A GenAI-enabled SMS responder will allow users to ask questions like: “What’s the current price of tomatoes in Colombo?” and receive instant SMS replies.