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We hereby declare that the work, which is being presented in the project report entitled Mental Health and Well-Being Surveillance, Assessment and Tracking Solution Among Children in partial fulfillment for the award of Degree of Bachelor of Technology in Information Science and Engineering, is a record of our own investigations carried under the guidance of Dr. Murali Parameswaran, Professor, School of Computer Science Engineering, Presidency University, Bengaluru.

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ABSTRACT

MindSight is a comprehensive web-based mental health surveillance and self-assessment platform aimed at monitoring the psychological well-being of individuals—particularly children and young adults. This application is grounded in the DASS-21 (Depression, Anxiety, Stress Scales) framework, which comprises 21 scientifically validated self-report questions. The questionnaire is segmented into three categories: 7 items each for evaluating depression, anxiety, and stress. Responses are rated on a scale of 0 (Did not apply to me at all) to 3 (Applied to me very much or most of the time), with cumulative scores interpreted across five severity levels: Normal, Mild, Moderate, Severe, and Extremely Severe.

The core functionality of MindSight is powered by advanced machine learning algorithms. A total of ten models were trained and evaluated using the DASS-21 dataset sourced from Mendeley Data, which contains anonymized psychological assessments from a diverse population. Models implemented include Logistic Regression, Decision Tree, Random Forest, Gradient Boosting, AdaBoost, Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD), Support Vector Machine (SVM), K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN), Naive Bayes, and XGBoost. Through extensive experimentation and evaluation using metrics such as accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score, the SVM model was identified as the most effective in predicting mental health severity levels across all three conditions.

The system architecture employs a lightweight Python Flask backend for efficient model inference and API handling, while the frontend is developed using HTML and CSS to ensure accessibility and user engagement. The interface guides users through the questionnaire in a structured and responsive manner. Upon completion, results are presented with visually intuitive, color-coded severity indicators for each of the three mental health dimensions, enabling users to instantly interpret their mental state.

MindSight not only offers an accurate and accessible solution for individual mental health screening but also serves as a potential aid in broader mental health tracking and intervention efforts. It is particularly useful in educational institutions, pediatric mental health programs, and community health surveillance, where early detection and scalable digital tools are essential for timely support and prevention.

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