Citizen Al:Intelligent Citizen Engagement Platform

Project Documentation

1.Introduction

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2. Project overview

Purpose:

The purpose of this project is to build an AI-powered citizen service and city analysis system that helps users:

- Get safety insights (crime rates, accident statistics, traffic safety) for any city.
- Interact with a government-like assistant to ask questions about public services, policies, and civic issues.

It aims to serve as a citizen support tool that provides quick, AI-generated, and informative responses through a simple web interface.

Features:

- ☐ City Analysis Module
- Accepts a city name as input.
- Provides a detailed AI-generated report including:
 - o Crime Index & safety statistics.
 - o Accident rates & traffic safety information.

Citizen Services Module

- Allows users to enter queries related to government services.
- AI responds as a government assistant, offering clear and relevant guidance.

AI-Powered Text Generation

- Uses the IBM Granite 3.2 Instruct model for generating reliable, human-like responses.
- Handles prompts dynamically and adapts answers based on the input context.

Interactive Web Interface

- Built with Gradio for simplicity.
- Organized with two tabs:
 - o City Analysis tab for city safety reports.
 - o Citizen Services tab for government/civic queries.
- Easy-to-use textboxes and buttons for interaction.

Scalable & Device-Friendly

- Runs on GPU (if available) for faster responses.
- Automatically adjusts to CPU execution if GPU is not available.

Conversational Interface

Key Point: Provides a natural chat-like experience between citizens and the AI.

Functionality:

- Allows continuous back-and-forth conversations.
- Retains context of previous messages for smoother dialogue.
- Helps users ask multiple follow-ups without restarting queries.

Policy Summarization

Key Point: Summarizes complex government policies into simple, citizen-friendly language.

Functionality:

- Takes long policy text as input.
- Outputs a concise summary with key rules, benefits, and eligibility.
- Improves accessibility of government regulations for the public.

Resource Forecasting

Key Point: Predicts future demand and allocation of public resources.

Functionality:

- Uses AI prompts to analyze trends (e.g., water, electricity, healthcare demand).
- Generates forecasts with reasoning and potential challenges.
- Assists in city planning and smart governance.

Eco-Tip Generator

Key Point: Provides actionable environmental sustainability advice.

Functionality:

- Suggests eco-friendly practices for individuals and communities.
- Tips may include energy saving, waste reduction, and pollution control.
- Encourages sustainable lifestyle choices.

Citizen Feedback Loop

Key Point: Collects and analyzes citizen feedback for continuous improvement.

Functionality:

- Allows users to submit feedback on city services or policies.
- AI can categorize feedback into themes (e.g., safety, transport, healthcare).
- Provides insights for government decision-makers.

KPI Forecasting

Key Point: Predicts future values of key performance indicators (KPIs) for governance.

Functionality:

- Tracks KPIs such as crime rate trends, traffic congestion, or service response time.
- Uses AI to forecast future trends based on historical patterns.
- Helps authorities plan resource allocation and set improvement targets.

Anomaly Detection

Key Point: Identifies unusual or abnormal patterns in civic data.

Functionality:

- Monitors inputs like citizen complaints, city safety reports, or traffic data.
- Detects spikes (e.g., sudden rise in accidents, water shortages).
- Alerts stakeholders for quick intervention.

Multimodal Input Support

Key Point: Accepts different types of inputs (text, images, audio, etc

Functionality:

- Citizens can upload documents, images (e.g., potholes, pollution spots), or voice queries.
- AI processes multimodal inputs for richer analysis.

• Improves inclusivity for users with different communication preferences.

Streamlit or Gradio UI

Key Point: Provides a simple and interactive interface for citizens.

Functionality:

- Gradio: Best for quick prototypes with tabs, textboxes, and shareable links.
- Streamlit: Allows more flexible dashboards, visual analytics, and KPI charts.
- Both options make the AI system accessible via the web without complex setup.

3. Architecture

Frontend (Stream lit):

Role: Provides the user interface for citizens to interact with the system.

Key Components:

- City Analysis Page → Enter city name → Display AI-generated safety & accident insights.
- Citizen Services Page → Enter queries about policies/services → Show government-style response.
- Extra Modules (optional): Conversational interface, policy summarizer, eco tips, KPI dashboards.

Functionality:

- Collects user input (text, queries, feedback).
- Sends requests to the FastAPI backend.
- Displays AI-generated results, charts, and summaries in a clean UI.

Backend (Fast API):

- Role: Acts as the AI engine and API service layer.
- Key Components:
 - \circ Model Loader \rightarrow Loads ibm-granite/granite-3.2-2b-instruct with Hugging Face Transformers + PyTorch.
 - Endpoints:
 - city-analysis → Returns crime & accident insights for a given city.
 - citizen-query → Returns government assistant responses to queries.
 - policy-summary → Summarizes given policy text.
 - eco-tip \rightarrow Generates eco-friendly suggestions.
 - kpi-forecast → Predicts future performance indicators.

- feedback \rightarrow Collects and categorizes citizen feedback.
- Functionality:
 - o Handles incoming requests from Streamlit frontend.
 - o Runs AI model inference (using PyTorch + Transformers).
 - o Sends structured responses (JSON) back to the frontend.

LLM Integration (IBM Watsonx Granite):

Model Used: ibm-granite/granite-3.2-2b-instruct (Watsonx Granite LLM).

Loading: Done via Hugging Face transformers with GPU/CPU support.

Functionality:

- Tokenizes user input.
- Runs inference with Granite LLM.
- Decodes output into natural language responses.

Applications:

- City Analysis (crime & safety).
- Citizen Services (policy & civic queries).
- Extensions → Policy summarization, eco tips, KPI forecasting, chat.

Benefits: Enterprise-ready, scalable, ethical, customizable for governance tasks.

Vector Search (Pinecone):

Purpose: Adds memory + semantic search for past queries, policies, and reports.

Flow:

- 1. Convert text to embeddings.
- 2. Store in Pinecone index.
- 3. Query Pinecone for similar vectors.
- 4. Provide retrieved context to Granite LLM.

Use Cases: Policy lookup, city safety history, citizen query relevance, feedback analysis.

Benefits: Scalable, fast, and ensures context-aware, factual responses.

ML Modules (Forecasting and Anomaly Detection):

1. Forecasting

• Purpose: Predicts future trends (crime rates, traffic, resource demand, KPIs).

• Functionality: Uses historical data + ML models (e.g., ARIMA, Prophet, LSTM) to generate forecasts for planning and decision-making.

2. Anomaly Detection

- Purpose: Identifies unusual or abnormal patterns in data.
- Functionality: Detects spikes or irregularities (e.g., sudden accidents, service failures, unusual feedback trends) using models like Isolation Forest or Autoencoders.

4. Setup Instructions

Prerequisites:

Python 3.9+ installed

GPU with CUDA (optional, for faster inference)

Accounts/Keys if using Pinecone or IBM Watsonx API

Basic knowledge of command line

Installation Process:

Set up Python \rightarrow Make sure Python 3.9 or later is installed on your system.

Create a virtual environment → Keeps project dependencies isolated.

Install required libraries → Install packages like PyTorch, Transformers, Gradio, Streamlit, FastAPI, and Pinecone client.

Prepare the project files → Download or clone the project folder into your system.

Run the application → Start the backend (FastAPI) and frontend (Streamlit/Gradio) to launch the app in your browser.

5. Folder Structure

```
citizen_ai_project/

— backend/ # FastAPI backend (AI logic & APIs)

— __init__.py
— main.py # FastAPI app entry point
— routes/ # API routes

— city_analysis.py
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citizen services.py
       policy summary.py
       eco tips.py
      - forecasting.py
      - anomaly detection.py
    services/
                        # Core ML/LLM logic
      granite model.py
                             # IBM Granite model loader
      - vector search.py
                             # Pinecone integration
      - forecasting model.py # Forecasting logic (ARIMA/Prophet/LSTM)
      - anomaly model.py
                               # Anomaly detection logic
      – utils.py
                        # Helper functions
frontend/
                        # Streamlit/Gradio UI
                        # Streamlit app main file
   app.py
                           # UI modules
   - components/
      - city tab.py
      - citizen tab.py
      - policy tab.py
      - eco tab.py
      - kpi tab.py
- data/
                      # Sample datasets
   - city data.csv
   - policies.json

    feedback.csv

                        # Pretrained/fine-tuned models
- models/
  – granite/
                        # Local cache of IBM Granite (if needed)
   - forecasting model.pkl
   - anomaly model.pkl
                     # Testing folder
- tests/
   - test api.py
  - test forecasting.py
   - test anomaly.py
requirements.txt
                          # Python dependencies
README.md
                             # Project documentation
config.yaml
                         # Configurations (API keys, settings)
```

6. Running the Application

To start the project:

Set up environment → Install Python and required libraries.

Run backend (FastAPI) → Starts the AI model API service.

Run frontend (Streamlit/Gradio) → Opens the web interface in your browser.

Use the app \rightarrow Enter a city name or query to get AI-powered responses.

Frontend (Stream lit):

Launch the Streamlit/Gradio app for the user interface.

It will open in your browser with tabs for City Analysis and Citizen Services (plus extra modules if added).

Backend (Fast API):

Run the FastAPI server to handle AI model and API requests.

This will expose endpoints like /city-analysis and /citizen-query.

7.API Documentation

Backend APIs available include:

- POST /city-analysis Accepts a city name and returns AI-generated insights on crime index, safety statistics, accident rates, and traffic conditions.
- POST /citizen-query Accepts a citizen query about public services or policies and responds with government-assistant—style information.
- POST /policy-summary Takes a long policy text and provides a simplified summary for easier understanding.
- $\bullet \quad GET\ /eco\mbox{-tip}-Returns\ eco\mbox{-friendly sustainability tips for daily practices}.$
- POST /forecast Predicts future trends in KPIs such as crime rates, traffic flow, or healthcare demand.
- POST /anomaly-detection Analyzes numerical data to detect unusual patterns or spikes.

Each endpoint can be tested and explored using Swagger UI for quick inspection and trial during development.

8. Authentication

Purpose: To secure access to the backend APIs and prevent unauthorized use of AI services.

Approach:

1. API Key Authentication → Each request must include a valid API key in the headers (e.g., Authorization: Bearer <API_KEY>).

- 2. User Authentication (Optional) → Citizens log in via username/password or OAuth (Google, government ID, etc.) before accessing services.
- 3. Role-Based Access Control (RBAC) → Different roles (e.g., admin, analyst, citizen) can have restricted permissions for sensitive endpoints like forecasting or anomaly detection.

Token Management: JWT (JSON Web Tokens) can be used for session-based authentication with expiry times for added security.

Integration: Works seamlessly with FastAPI security modules (fastapi.security) and can be extended to use OAuth2 or SSO for government-level integration.

9. User Interface

The interface is clean and user-friendly, focusing on accessibility for all citizens. It includes:

- Tabbed navigation for City Analysis, Citizen Services, Policy Summarization, Eco Tips, Forecasting, and Anomaly Detection
- Textboxes and buttons for user input and AI response generation
- Dynamic output areas for AI-generated text, summaries, charts, and alerts
- Real-time form handling for queries, feedback, and file uploads
- Optional charts and visualizations in Streamlit for KPI forecasting and anomaly detection

The design emphasizes clarity, simplicity, and intuitive guidance, allowing users to interact with AI-powered services efficiently without technical knowledge.

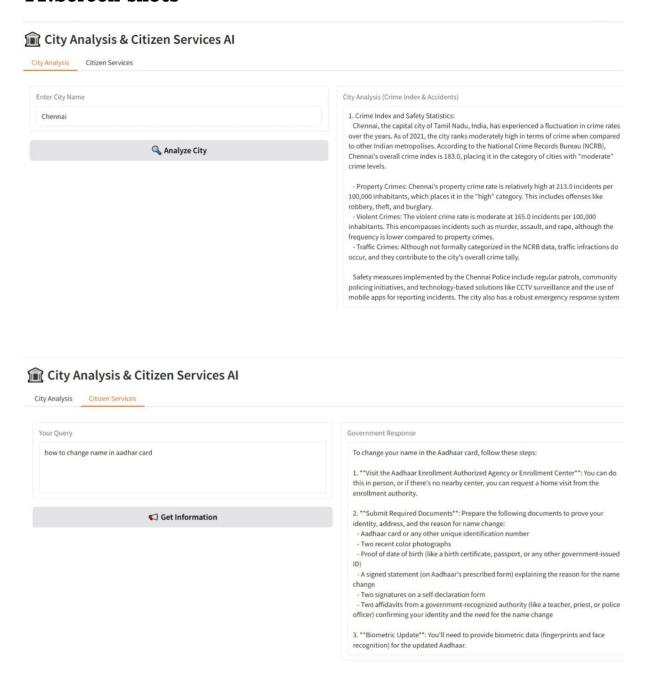
10. Testing

Testing was done in multiple phases:

- Unit Testing: For AI response functions, forecasting, anomaly detection, and utility scripts
- API Testing: Using Swagger UI, Postman, and automated test scripts for endpoints like /city-analysis and /citizen-query
- Manual Testing: For UI interactions including text inputs, file uploads, tab navigation, and AI output consistency
- Edge Case Handling: Malformed queries, empty inputs, large datasets, invalid API keys, and network interruptions

Each function and module was validated to ensure reliability, accuracy, and robustness in both standalone (offline) and API-connected modes.

11.Screen shots



12.Known Issues

Response Latency: AI-generated responses can be slow for large prompts or on CPU-only systems.

Incomplete Context Handling: The model may occasionally miss context in long multiturn conversations.

Large Input Limits: Extremely long text inputs may be truncated due to token limits of the Granite model.

Pinecone Dependence: Vector search functionality requires a live Pinecone account and API connection.

Forecasting & Anomaly Accuracy: Predictions depend on historical data quality and may not capture sudden changes.

UI Limitations: Gradio interface has limited visualization capabilities compared to Streamlit; charts and interactive graphs are less dynamic.

Error Handling: Some edge cases, like malformed inputs or network interruptions, may return generic errors instead of detailed messages.

13.Future enhancement

The current system provides AI-based city analysis and citizen services through natural language interaction. While effective, several enhancements can be introduced in the future to improve accuracy, usability, and scalability:

- 1. Real-Time Data Integration o Connect the system with live government databases, open data APIs, and crime/traffic records to provide updated and accurate statistics instead of static AI generated insights.
- 2. Multilingual Support o Extend the model to handle multiple languages (e.g., Hindi, Tamil, Marathi, etc.) to make the system accessible to a wider population.
- 3. Voice-Based Interaction o Integrate speech-to-text and text-to-speech modules for voice-enabled citizen queries and responses.
- 4. Mobile Application Deployment o Develop Android/iOS apps for broader accessibility, in addition to the Gradio web interface.
- 5. Personalized Recommendations o Provide personalized insights based on user profiles, such as safety alerts for specific areas or customized government schemes.
- 6. Enhanced Visualization o Add graphs, charts, and dashboards for crime and accident statistics to improve understanding through data visualization.
- 7. Feedback & Continuous Learning o Allow users to rate responses, enabling the system to improve accuracy over time through fine-tuning and feedback loops.