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Education

• VIT Bhopal University, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh

Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science and Engineering Cumulative GPA: 8.80/10.0

Jul 2022- May 2026 (Expected), currently 3rd year undergrad student

HSC (86.83%), SSC (92.80%), Mumbai, Maharashtra

Projects

Food Delivery Website (MERN stack), Feb 2025 - Apr 2025

o Built and deployed an interactive full-stack food delivery website using HTML, CSS, JavaScript, React, and AngularJS, achieving 100% responsiveness across 5+ device types and screen sizes, improving accessibility and usability for a diverse user base.

AI Chatbot for BRTS Navigation(python, NLP, Machine Learning), Sept 2024 – Dec 2024

- Developed a bilingual AI-powered chatbot in React and Python that served over 5,000+ weekly Bhopal BRTS commuters, enhancing transit accessibility and reducing route navigation time by 40% through real-time bus schedules and directions in English and Hindi.
- Gesture Alchemy (Python, Machine Learning), Feb 2024 Apr 2024
 - o **Created ML-powered gesture recognition system in Python**, improving fingerspelling interpretation accuracy by 92%, demonstrating strong cross-domain application of AI and UI logic.
- Hypothesis Testing and Prediction on Student Performance backed by Socio-economic survey (Python, Machine Learning), Aug 2023 – Oct 2023
 - o Engineered a predictive model on student academic performance using socio-economic survey data, achieving 85% accuracy and enabling data-driven interventions via intuitive dashboards and visualizations.
- Drum Kit Web and Simon Game (HTML, CSS, JavaScript), Jun 2023
 - Created an interactive web-based drum kit for virtual drumming experiences and developed a digital implementation of the iconic Simon Game, a memory and pattern-matching challenge.

Work Experience

• Junior ML Engineer, Omdena, Oct 2024 – Dec, 2024

- O Developed an AI-driven multilingual chatbot using frontend technologies to enhance navigation for 5,000+ Bhopal BRTS commuters weekly, improving user accessibility and engagement
- o Collaborated remotely with an international team on open-source water management and forecasting projects, contributing to frontend integration and data visualization across multi-country datasets

Extra-Curricular Activities

- SMM Lead and Contributor, Omdena VIT Bhopal Chapter, Aug 2024 Present
 - O Led social media strategy and engagement to amplify the outreach and impact of Omdena VIT Bhopal Chapter initiatives and contributing to projects.
- Core Team Member, Artificial Intelligence Club VIT, Nov 2022 May 2025
 - Actively engaged as an AI Club member, exploring and advancing AI applications while promoting innovation and teamwork.
- Community Member, Google Developers Group, Jun 2023 Jan 2024
 - o Diligently participated in GDG events, workshops, and hackathons and collaborated with fellow developers to share knowledge and insights, promoting learning and networking.

Certifications

- Fullstack Web Development MERN with MongoDB Certified in Full-Stack Web Development (MERN) with hands-on experience in building end-to-end applications using MongoDB, Express.js, React, and Node.js.
- **DevOps Fundamentals, IBM -** A course covering CI/CD, containerization, and cloud deployment basics.
- Cloud Computing, NPTEL A course covering diverse topics of cloud computing. (Elite Certificate)
- Machine Learning, Kaggle A course covering basics of Machine Learning.
- Computer Networking by Google, Coursera A comprehensive course for computer networking.
- Cybersecurity Fundamentals, IBM Essentials for digital assets and defend against cyber threats.
- Marketing Analytics, NPTEL Essentials for digital assets and defend against cyber threats.

Technical Skills

- Proficient in Python, Java, C, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, MATLAB, Excel, Git & Version Control.
- **Experienced** in Web Development, Object-Oriented Programming, Data Structures, Algorithms, and Machine Learning techniques, APIs.