



Wireless Communication Framework for Natural Disaster Alerts

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Abstract: This project focuses on creating a wireless communication system for natural disaster alerts using IoT and GSM technology. The system integrates sensors that monitor ground vibration, water levels, rainfall, and temperature. Data from these sensors is processed by an Arduino controller and transmitted through an Android application for instant alerts. It ensures timely warnings to people in remote areas, enhancing safety during disasters. Powered by solar energy, it functions even during power failures. The system improves communication reliability, enabling quick emergency responses and reducing damage caused by floods, landslides, or earthquakes in disaster-prone regions.

Keywords: GSM technology, Arduino, solar energy, disaster-prone regions, landslides.

I. INTRODUCTION

Natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes, and landslides cause major destruction to life and property. Many remote areas lack reliable communication systems to alert residents on time. This project introduces a wireless alert system that provides instant disaster notifications using GSM and IoT technology. The aim is to create a responsive system that operates even during power cuts and network failures. It collects data through environmental sensors and transmits it wirelessly for real-time monitoring. Such systems can help authorities take early action, ensuring community preparedness and minimizing the risks associated with natural disasters effectively.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

UP NOAH plays a major role in strengthening disaster resilience in the Philippines by creating detailed multi-hazard and risk maps. These maps covering floods, landslides, storm surges, and other threats provide communities and agencies with crucial information for planning and early preparedness. The system combines scientific data and real-time monitoring to support safer and more informed decision-making during natural disasters.

The NOAH Initiative also uses an online WebGIS platform to display real-time hazard data on interactive maps. Through this system, users can access information such as rainfall intensity, weather forecasts, and flood modelling results directly from a web interface. This improves the speed and accuracy of disaster response, allowing both the public and local government units to view updated conditions and act accordingly.

Wireless Sensor Networks (WSN) are widely used in real-time monitoring applications across many fields. These networks enable continuous data collection for disaster detection, environmental sensing, healthcare monitoring, agriculture automation, and industrial systems. They provide fast, reliable updates on physical conditions, although challenges such as energy consumption and long-term reliability still exist. Overall, WSN technology is essential for systems that require constant and immediate information.

III. METHODOLOGY

The system development process includes five key stages: analysis, design, implementation, testing, and evaluation. In the analysis phase, disaster types and environmental parameters are identified. The design phase involves selecting sensors like water level, vibration, and temperature detectors integrated with Arduino and NodeMCU modules. The implementation connects these components to a GSM network and Android app for real-time communication. Testing involves simulating flood and earthquake conditions to check performance. Finally, evaluation measures accuracy, efficiency, and reliability, ensuring the system functions effectively even under poor signal or power loss conditions.

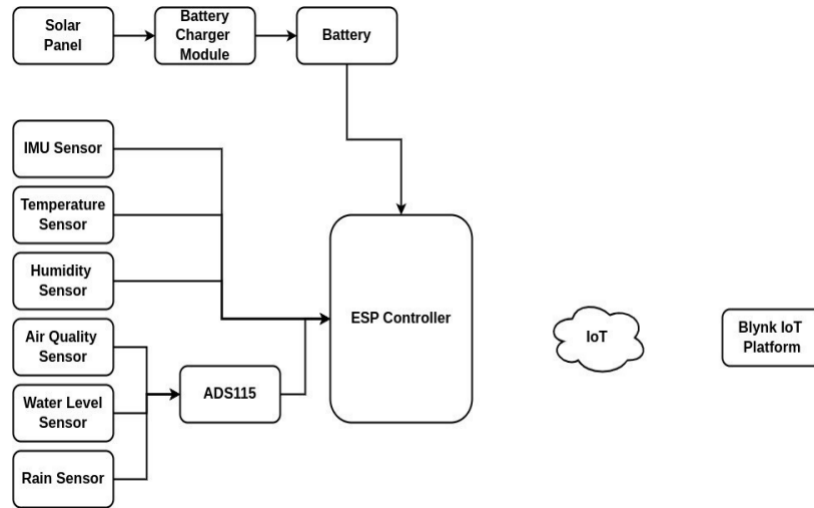


Fig.1: Block Diagram of Proposed System

1. **Sensor Integration:** • Connect DHT11, IMU, MQ, Rain, and Water Level sensors to ESP8266 GPIO pins.
2. **Data Acquisition:** • Continuously read values from all sensors using analog and digital inputs.
3. **Threshold Setting:** • Set threshold values for each sensor (e.g., acceleration spike for earthquake detection, water level rise for flood alert).
4. **Wireless Transmission:** • Use the ESP8266 Wi-Fi capabilities to send sensor data to the Blynk cloud server.
5. **Cloud Monitoring:** • Display real-time data on the Blynk app dashboard. • Trigger alerts when sensor values exceed thresholds.
6. **Power Supply System:** • Use a solar panel to charge a Li-Ion battery via a charging module (e.g., TP4056).
• Connect battery output to power the ESP8266 and sensors.

IV. RESULTS

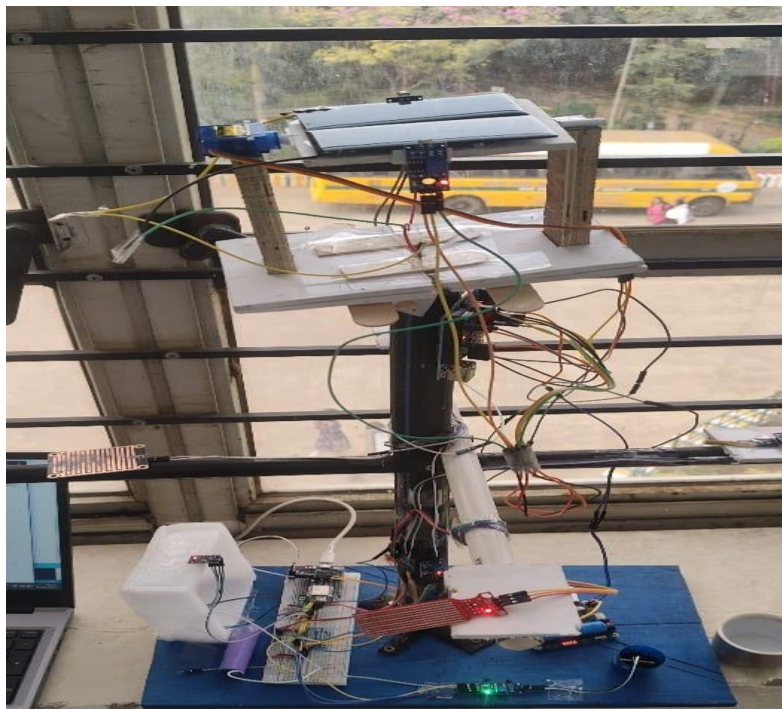


Fig.2: Prototype of Proposed System

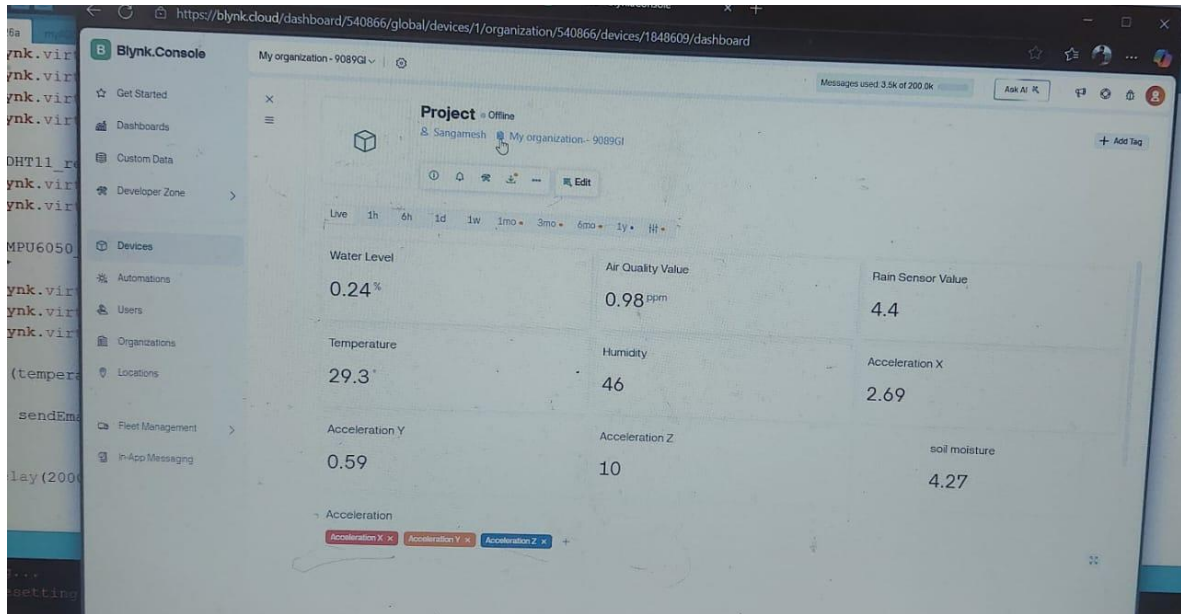


Fig.3: Output of Proposed System

The project is expected to produce an efficient, solar-powered disaster alert system that transmits real-time data to authorities and residents. It can detect floods, earthquakes, and temperature variations, sending alerts through mobile applications instantly. The data is stored in a central server for monitoring and analysis. Even during network interruptions, the system continues data collection and local display.

The outcome demonstrates reliable performance with high accuracy in detecting environmental changes. It provides a cost-effective, scalable solution for rural and urban areas, enhancing disaster preparedness and ensuring timely emergency response.

V. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

This work demonstrates a practical and efficient system for monitoring natural disasters in real time using IoT technology and wireless communication. By combining various environmental sensors with the ESP8266 module and linking the data to the Blynk platform, the setup is able to identify potential hazards at an early stage and provide timely alerts.

The use of solar power further enhances its reliability, allowing the system to operate in remote or disaster-prone locations without the need for external power sources. Overall, the developed model offers a sustainable and adaptable solution that can support effective disaster preparedness and management efforts.

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