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ABSTRACT

Flood is a natural phenomenon, and it is one of the largest natural disasters often occurring worldwide and can cause a negative impact towards the society. The flood may happen without warning and the after effect can causes significant harm to the surrounding ecosystem and put citizen lives in danger. Therefore. "Flash Flood Detection Based on IOT" is proposed to reduce the damage and risk caused by the flood. The aim for this project is give the users information of current water level in a drain. A warning notification sentto the users indicating three types of water level which are safe, warning and danger. The flood detection based on IOT includes an ultrasonic sensor that detects the current water level while also allowing users to view the duration of the water level from their phone and makingthem more aware of when flooding is likely to occur. This system can provide plenty of time to prepare against predicted flood occurrence and they can be rescued from the aftermath of a flood catastrophe.

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ABSTRAK

Banjir adalah fenomena semula jadi dan merupakan salah satu bencana alam terbesar yang sering berlaku di seluruh dunia dan boleh memberi kesan negatif kepada masyarakat. Bencana banjir boleh berlaku tanpa amaran dan akibatnya boleh menyebabkan bahaya besarterhadap ekosistem sekitarnya dan membahayakan nyawa penduduk setempat. Oleh itu. "Pengesanan Banjir Kilat Berdasarkan IOT" diusulkan untuk mengurangi kerosakan dan risiko yang disebabkan oleh banjir. Tujuan projek ini adalah memberi maklumat kepada pengguna mengenai tahap air semasa di longkang. Pemberitahuan amaran akan dikirimkan kepada pengguna yang menunjukkan tiga jenis permukaan air yang aman, amaran dan bahaya. Pengesanan banjir berdasarkan iot merangkumi sensor ultrasonik yang mengesan paras air semasa dan juga membolehkan pengguna melihat jangka masa paras air dari telefon mereka dan membuat mereka lebih mengetahui bila banjir kemungkinan akan berlaku. Sistem ini akan menyediakan banyak masa untuk bersiap sedia menghadapi kejadian banjir yang diramalkan dan mereka dapat diselamatkan dari bencana banjir selepas kejadian

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LIST OF SYMBOLS

V - Voltage°C - Celsius% - Percentage



LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

LCD - Voltage

IOT - Internet of Things

WSN - Wireless Sensor Network

V - Voltage HZ - Hertz

Wi-Fi - Wireless Fidelity



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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

In Malaysia flooding is natural disaster that occurs every year. A flood occurs when a water overflows terrain which is usually dry. There are several kinds of floods such as river floods, urban floods, flash floods and pluvial floods.

Flood disasters can be large-scale and strong enough to cause significant damage in specific areas. The loss is important in terms of human lives lost, assets and food supply disruption, and government infrastructure destruction.

There are two types can be classified for monitoring and alerting flood, which are local sensing data and remote sensing data. The flood parameters are measured through the installation of sensor nodes along the river on local sensing data meanwhile for the satellite generally uses remote sensing data to estimate the rain information and capture the cloud image.

Water level inspection in rivers, temperature and water velocity in certain location are extremely crucial to proving whether the flood will occur due the degree of cloud formation will change from time to time simply depending on how powerful the wind is.

This project is design to monitoring system for river that use local sensing data via microcontroller system for monitoring and the system also can measure various flood parameters such as temperature, water level and water velocity. The user receives an alert.

when the reading of the when one or more parameters reach the threshold values, it indicates a hazardous flood situation.

1.2 Problem Statement

In 1926 the heaviest flood occurred at Perak. This phenomenon known as "Bah Besar". The flood affecting Sungai Perak, Sungai Kinta, and Sungai Batang Padang. The government has set up a temporary housing and disaster relief movement to help all the victims.

Majority of the flood victims are not fully aware of the upcoming flood calamity because in Perak does not have a flood monitoring and warning system. In certain situation, the authority has warned to the victims, but due the lack of information, the time flood begins and fully flooded, and the victims ignore the information.

In Malaysia, the flood monitoring system uses a telemetry system that continuously monitor water level measurement and uploads them to a specific web page. This procedure needs Internet connection to upload the values and not suitable for Malaysiadue to expensive cost.

Flood monitoring and alert system is an affordable design and able to measure manycharacteristics of the flood such as water velocity, temperature in real time and water level. Furthermore, this project will predict the flood calamity and give an alert to the user.

1.3 Project Objective

The aim of this research is to propose a systematic and effective methodology of the development research for Flash flood based on iot. The main objectives are as follows:

- a) To obtain the flooding data parameters such as water level, temperature, and rainfall
- b) To construct flash flood prototype
- c) To analyze the performance of the built system

1.4 Scope of Project

The scope of this project are as follows:

- a) Accuracy of temperature and water level to detect flood
- b) This project is focusing on developing Internet of Things (IOT) by using Blynk and Arduino Uno

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 What is flooding?

Flooding occurs when water from a river or rain floods a wide area of land. Flood is also known as a temporary rise of the water level as in a lake or river or along seacoast. As a result, it spills over and out of its natural or artificial boundaries onto usually dry land. In Malaysia, flooding is normal phenomena happen every year. It usually happens exposed to the river and in low surface area. It may happen in cities or metropolitan areas such as Kuala Lumpur, Pulau Pinang and Johor Bharu because of the inadequate drainage system that cannot handle the excessive rainwater. Figure 2.1 show floods happened in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.



Figure 2.1: Flood Effect in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

2.2 Type of Flooding

There are several types of floods that can be occurs in our country Malaysia suchas flash flooding, river flooding, urban flooding, and pluvial flooding. This flood disaster can cause a lot of property destruction which can cause a lot of losses occur.

2.2.1 Flash Flooding

In flash flood can happen in minutes or an hour because of heavy rain, a sudden release of water previously held by ice or a dam or levee failure. A huge debris can be carried by flash flood which can destroy the bridges and building, mud slide, trigger catastrophic and scrape out new channels. Slow-moving thunderstorms, heavy rainfall from hurricanes or thunderstorms repeatedly moving over the same location and other topical are the most common causes of flash flooding. This figure 2.2 show flash flood occur.(R.S.Davis, 2001)



Figure 2.2: How Flash Flood Occurs

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2.2.2 River Flooding

Flooding is a common occurrence in our world. The usually occurs when the river's catchment receives more water than normal. The river cannot handle the extra waterin its river and causes the river's water level to rise and the water to flow out of streams, resulting in a flood. This flooding could occur anywhere along the river's course and not just where the extra water has entered. (S.A.Bande, 2017)

Furthermore, floods happen when soil becomes saturated and its capacity for infiltration is zero. Runoffs are unable to be contained in stream channels, constructed. reservoirs, natural ponds, and the land surface is submerged, washing away all its content. Periodic floods, resulting during heavy rains, happened naturally mostly river, and forming an area known as flood plain. River floods often cause rivers to overflow their banks, often with tremendous velocity and devastation. (Ezemonve, 2011)

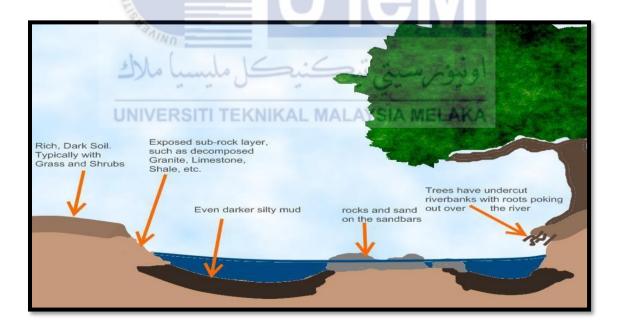


Figure 2.3: How River Flood Occurs

2.3 Review Paper on IOT Based Flood Prediction Model

A Natural can cause damage of property and even worse can cause loss of life. Floods are one of the most common natural disasters can many significant damages to life such as infrastructure, economy, and agriculture. This project use IOT and machine learning based embedded system is to measure different atmospheric conditions and to predict the weather information such as pressure, temperature, humidity, wind speed and direction and rainfall. Next, they also analyzing the trend of climate change to predict the upcoming natural disaster. The method that has been proposed is use a mesh network linkover ZigBee for the WSN to collect data and a Wi-Fi module to transmit the data over theinternet while using very little power. Using a cloud database, data sets from a variety of sensors are recorded and tracked. To forecast various weather events and predict future disasters, data was processed using an artificial neural network model. Wireless sensor network-based environmental monitoring systems have been found to be cost effective, compact, and extremely dependable, but the weakness of this system it cannot use for the large area because typically, each node is powered by an energy-UNIVERSITI TEKNIKAL MALAYSIA MELAKA limited battery. (S.A.Bande, 2017)

2.4 Flood Warning and Monitoring System Utilizing Internet of Things Technology

This project is to build wireless sensor node at high susceptibility area by develops an early warning and flood monitoring system in real time. Node MCU based technology integrated is the base of the system and they use Blynk application. The function of wireless sensor node is detecting the water level and rain intensity, when there is an inundation or severe rain, an early warning is given. Node MCU as the microcontroller of the system control rain sensor and ultrasonic sensor. Node MCU will put in the flood zone that has been identified. The buzzer and LED will be started to trigger and alert the victimwhen the flood had reached a certain level of danger.

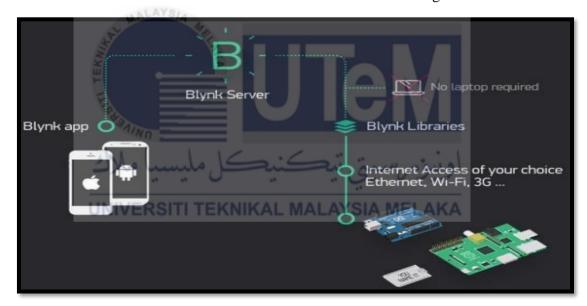


Figure 2.4: Blynk IOT Based Architecture

The sensor will detect the data and transmitted to the Blynk application via wireless connection. Blynk application via IOS or android smartphone can access the interface and receiving a push notification, so the victim knows the current situation with theflood and rain. The flood level data transmitted by email may be useful to a variety of organizations for system development and flood forecasting. (Mohamad Syafiq Mohd Sabre, Shahrum Shah Abdullah, & Amirul Faruq, 2019)