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#### **ABSTRACT**

A microcontroller based prayer time display is able to display various areas of prayer time as long as the longitude and latitude are given and able to customize it to alert us to the prayer time for the given areas. A majority people rely upon the sound of an alarm clock to signal the start of their day, while some claim that to awaken at a certain time without assistance from an alarm. It is same goes to prayer time, since for Muslim "solat" is pillar so it is compulsory to pray five times a day. Surprisingly, not most of us have the ability to pray on time. The project consists of two parts, hardware development and the software development. Implementation and works of this project are summarized into the flow chart in this report. A micro controller based prayer time display has a unique operating system which is combine a simple prayer time clock operation with Infrared time remote control which is controlled by HT12E and HT12D Holtek IC and PIC 16F877A. A microcontroller based prayer time display is developed to give owner the power to pray in time and setting the prayer time according to areas and region where the owner live. The achievement of this project can be divided into three major parts. Firstly, the microcontroller based prayer time display is able to control the clock prayer time by display the accurate prayer time based on world Muslim League Method. Secondly, the microcontroller based prayer time display is able to equip with the time remote control and automatic time update. Last but not lease, the project product is affordable by all level of society especially student as a target user.

#### **ABSTRAK**

Alat mikropengawal berdasarkan paparan waktu solat mempunyai kemampuan memaparkan waktu solat berdasarkan kawasan tertentu jika latitude dan longitude sesuatu kawasan diberi dan ia mampu disesuaikan dengan waktu solat sesuatu kawasan tersebut. Kebanyakan kita hanya mampu bergantung kepada jam loceng untuk memulakan harian awal pagi mereka akan tetapi ada segelintir daripada mereka mengatakan bahawa mereka mampu memulakan harian pagi mereka tanpa bantuan bunyi jam loceng. Sebagai seorang umat islam, solat lima waktu adalah menjadi kewajipan kepada setiap mukallaf dan solat merupakan tiang agama. Namun begitu, kebanyakkan diantara kita tidak mampu untuk solat pada awal waktu. Projek ini terbahagi kepada dua fasa pembangunan iaitu fasa perisian dan fasa perkakasan. Perlaksanan dan kerjakerja pebangunan project akan diterangkan lebih mendalam berdasarkan carta alir dalam kertas kerja ini. Alat mikropengawal berdasarkan paparan waktu solat mempunyai system operasi yang unik dimana ia digabungkan dengan alat pengawal kawalan jauh yang dikawal sepenuhnya oleh mikropengawal PIC 16F877A dan HT12E dan HT12D. Alat ini juga direka untuk memudahkan membantu para penguna yang kurang peka akan waktu solat ketika berada disesuatu kawasan tertentu. Kejayaan projek ini terbahagi kepada tiga fasa iaitu fasa pertama ialah kemampuan alat ini untuk memaparkan waktu solat dengan tepat berdasarkan cara kiraan "World Muslim League". Kedua ialah, keberkesanan untuk alat ini bergabung dengan alat infrared berkawalan jauh dan kemampuan untuk mengemas kini waktu solat berdasarkan sesuatu kawasan secara automatik. Akhirnya, rekaan produk ini mampu dimiliki semua golongan masyarakt terutamanya pelajar sebab penguna sasaran.

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## LIST OF SYSMBOLS AND ABREVAITION

Liquid Crystal Display LCD

Central Processing Unit **CPU** 

Ground **GDN** 

Input/Output I/O

Crystal **XTAL** 

integrated Circuit IC

Hardware HW

COM Common

Computer PC

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#### **CHAPTER 1**

#### INTRODUCTION

#### 1. 1 BACKGROUND

A clock is an instrument that able to indicates, measure, keeps and display time. The word *clock* is born from the words "*clagan*" and "*clocca*" meaning "bell", but in general usage today a "clock" refers to any device for measuring and display time.

Nowadays Clocks are in homes, office and many other places, smaller ones called watches are carried on wrist while the larger ones are in public places like a watch tower. A small clock is often shown in a corner of computer displays, Mobile phones and many mp3 players.

The purpose of a clock is not always to display the time. It may also be used to control a device according time, example an alarm clock and prayer time clock. A majority of people rely upon the sound of an alarm clock to signal the start of their day, while some claim to awaken at a certain time without assistance from an alarm. Its same goes to the prayer time. For a Muslim, it is compulsory to pray five times a day. Some of them might need a clock to signal them to start their prayer time and surprisingly, not most of us have the ability to have pray on time.

Nowadays with the advance technology, it is possible to create a microcontroller based on prayer time that is able to display various areas of prayer times as long as the longitude and latitude are given and able to customize it to alert us to the prayer times for the given areas.

The microcontroller based prayer time display system consists of two elements to be considered:

- i. Hardware development
- ii. Software development

The achievement of the project can be divided into two parts:

- i. Ability to display accurate prayer time for Zohor, Asar, Magrib, Isya and Subuh
- ii. Ability to remote clock setting using infrared Time Remote Control

## 1.2 PROBLEM STATEMENT

Most of the available product are expensive and cannot be affordable for lower level society. Even though there are low cost product available but still low quality and poor performance. The is a major problem is purchasing the prayer time clock which refer to imported clock from Arabic, and other region is that the accuracy of displaying the correct prayer time since different region has different prayer time calculation method. Most of the product in the market rarely equip with friendly user function when comes to setting the clock.

There are three problem statements to be considered. Firstly, the market available clock are rarely equip with Time Remote Control and the prices of the Prayer Time clock are expensive and cannot be afford by low level society. Finally normally the available prayer clock in the market didn't state whether its follow the standard of Muslim World League method.

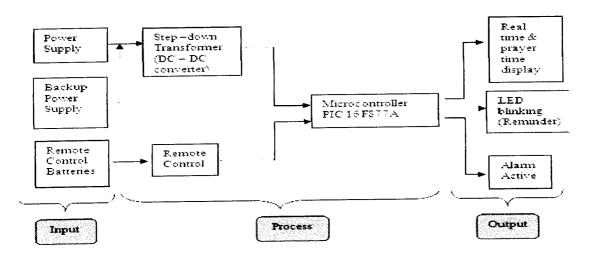
Hence, with this project we are giving an opportunity for low level society for having prayer time clock for alert them about the important to pray on time. The product Is using a good quality component to operate and equip with user friendly option.;

## 1.3 OBJECTIVE OF PROJECT

There are 3 objective of project to be considered:

- 1. To develop an automatic clock that able to display an accurate prayer time based on *Muslim World League method*.
- 2. To develop an automatic prayer time display with *Time remote Control & automatic prayer time update*.
- 3. To design and build up a *lower cost* of a prayer time clock, so that it can make it *affordable for all level of society* as student be the target user.

#### 1.4 SCOPE OF PROJECTS



### FIGURE 1.1: SYSTEM BLOCK DIAGRAM

Refer from the figure above, this project consists of two parts which is the first part is about the development of microcontroller based prayer time display while the another part is all about the development of Time Remote control device.

In the first parts, it will focus on inventing a Clock Core system consists of a PIC (Programmable Integrated Circuit) that acts as system microcontroller. The PIC 16F877A is being chooses for most suitable PIC to do the job. The supply 12V DC current will need to get though a DC – DC converter process before directly supply to system core. The backup power supply will be taking over as the main supply when the first main power supply of the system is down. The backup power supply consists of batteries with 12V.

As we move to second parts, it all about the construction of Time Remote Control which is using infrared signal to communicate with the PIC. The power supply will be 3V and the infrared signal that transmits from remote control will be receive to the receiver located in the microcontroller board system.

Finally, the output of the project is that the system is able to display the real time & prayer time accurately and the alarm and LED able to function properly.

#### 1.5: PROJECT OUTLINE

This progress report consists of five chapters. The first chapter of progress report discussing on the background, problem statement, objective and scope of the project. The second chapter consists more on literature review that has been done. It discusses about the theory on component of software and hardware such as a comparison between microcontroller and microprocessor used in this project. Others, it will also include the type of hardware and software specification that will be used in the project. Chapter three will be explained about the methodology of this project. It consists of two major parts; there are software development and

hardware development. Next, chapter four will be present about the preliminary expected result that has been done. Finally, chapter five will be discusses about the discussion and suggestion for this project. In the discussion part, it will explained the problem occur when doing the project. In this chapter also, there will be a conclusion included, it will summarize the research and development of this project.