

1 **DEPLOYING AND SENSING THE AIR QUALITY INDEX USING INTERNET OF**  
2 **THINGS AND SPARK MODEL**

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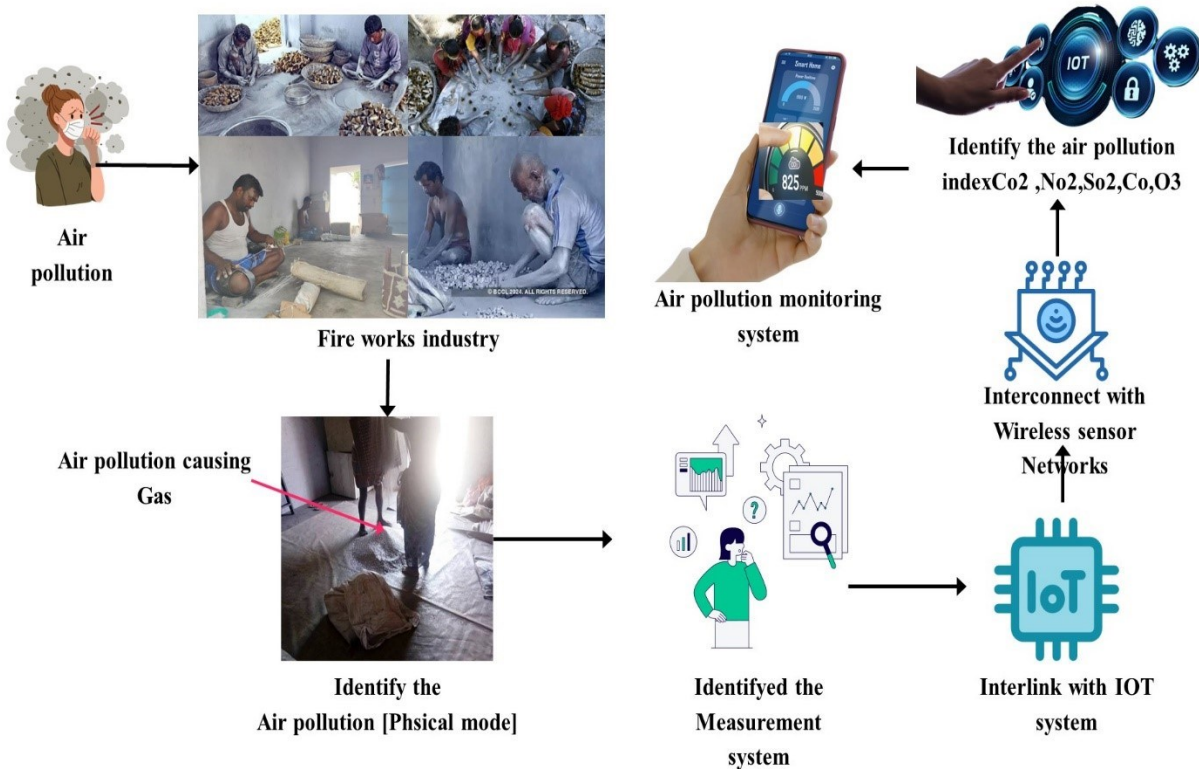
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13 **Graphical Abstract**



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15 **Abstract**

16 Air is crucial for human survival and a healthy existence, but in modern metropolitan living, it  
17 has become a dangerous issue due to its high pollution levels. When weighed against all other  
18 businesses, the fireworks sector is extremely dangerous. Every year, air pollution affects many  
19 people, including fireworkers, and causes various health problems that can occasionally result in  
20 death. Indeed, this work attempted to develop an accurate model for predicting air quality in the  
21 United States using a dataset obtained from linked Internet of Things (IoT) devices and Spark  
22 model, specifically wireless sensor networks (WSN). In order to predict air pollution caused by  
23 the introduction of hazardous substances including SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>, Particulate matter and CO into  
24 the Earth's atmosphere, this study explores the concept of merging the concepts of the Internet of  
25 Things. In conclusion, understanding forecast quality requires the computation of assessment  
26 measures using the proposed model. This research work used the RMSE to evaluate our  
27 predictions made using the Spark model. Good prediction models should typically have RMSE  
28 values of less than 0.3. It is accurate to say that our RMSE is  $0.14 < 0.4$ , which supports the  
29 validity of our model.

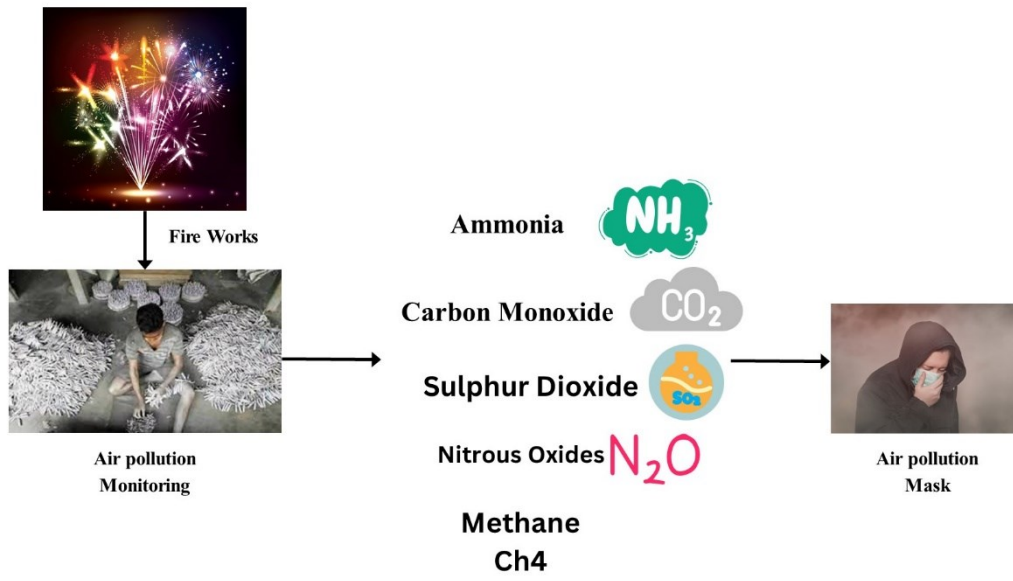
30 **Keywords:** Air pollution. Internet of Things, Fireworks, Wireless Sensor Networks, Spark  
31 model, RMSE value

## 32 **1.Introduction**

33 The release of contaminants into the atmosphere that are detrimental to both human health and  
34 the ecosystem at large is referred to as air pollution. Another way to describe it is as a shift in air  
35 quality that is assessed for biological, physical, or chemical pollutants. Therefore, the  
36 undesirable presence of pollutants or an unusual rise in the quantity of some atmospheric  
37 constituents is classified as air pollution. There are two categories of air pollution: invisible as  
38 well as visible. Compounds in the atmosphere are harmful to materials, the environment, and the

39 health of people and animals. Air pollutants come in a variety of forms, such as gases, biological  
40 molecules, and both organic and inorganic particles. Consequently, the requirement for an  
41 automated method to forecast air pollution levels arises.

42 Our system's objective is to offer a mobile application that effectively provides the future air  
43 quality of a given place and notifies users in the case of severe air pollution. There are many  
44 different ingredients in fireworks. The overall quality of the air is lowered when these  
45 firecrackers burn because they release a significant amount of hazardous metals and gaseous and  
46 particle air pollutants. A study conducted in California, USA, discovered that following the  
47 Fourth of July celebration, there was a considerable increase in the ambient air's concentrations  
48 of magnesium, aluminium, potassium, lead, barium, strontium, and copper. The original  
49 chemical makeup and particle size of common firework combinations are covered in the paper. A  
50 thorough analysis of the air pollution caused by a fireworks display during Beijing's Lantern Day  
51 Festival revealed increases in  $\text{SO}_2$ ,  $\text{NO}_2$ , and  $\text{PM}_{10}$  levels of 57,25, and 183% over the preceding  
52 day. It was found that the  $\text{PM}_{2.5}$  concentration was six times more what it would be on an  
53 average day. Figure 1 shows the main components of air pollution.



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**Figure 1: Components of air pollution**

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Air quality is a critical factor in human health and environmental sustainability, with high concentrations of pollutants such as particulate matter, nitrogen dioxide, sulfur dioxide, carbon monoxide, and ozone. The Internet of Things (IoT) has revolutionized air quality measurement by providing real-time data collection, analysis, and decision-making. IoT devices, such as low-cost sensors, drones, and mobile monitoring platforms, gather continuous and high-resolution data streams for comprehensive assessments of pollution levels. They can be deployed in various settings, including urban areas, industrial sites, transportation networks, and indoor spaces.

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IoT technologies facilitate the integration of air quality data with other sources of information, enabling advanced analytics techniques to derive actionable insights and predictive models for air quality management. These data-driven approaches enable stakeholders to identify pollution hotspots, assess exposure risks, and develop targeted interventions to improve air quality and

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68 protect public health. IoT-based air quality measurement has applications across various sectors,  
69 including public health, environmental monitoring, urban planning, transportation, and industry.  
70 Notable applications include public health assessment, environmental monitoring, urban  
71 planning, transportation, and industrial facilities. However, challenges such as sensor accuracy,  
72 data privacy, data integration, and community equity must be addressed to realize its full  
73 potential. Despite these challenges, IoT technologies offer unprecedented opportunities to  
74 advance air quality measurement and monitoring, revolutionizing our understanding of pollution  
75 dynamics and informing evidence-based interventions to protect public health and the  
76 environment. Collaborative efforts from governments, industries, academia, and civil society are  
77 needed to leverage IoT innovations to build a cleaner, greener, and more prosperous future for  
78 all.

79 (Aswatha et al., 2023) suggested a smart air pollution monitoring system uses sensors to  
80 measure pollution levels and stores data in Firebase. The system forecasts air quality utilising  
81 machine learning methods. This technology is intended to provide real-time air quality  
82 monitoring. (Alaoui et al., 2019) Developed an accurate model for US air quality utilising data  
83 from wireless sensor networks (WSN), which was a key difficulty in predicting air pollution. The  
84 study investigates the possibility for using big data and the internet of things to anticipate air  
85 pollution caused by dangerous compounds such as NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, CO, and O<sub>3</sub>.

86 (Dhingra et al., 2019) The Internet of Things (IoT) is a global network of smart gadgets capable  
87 of sensing and interacting with their surroundings. To combat global air pollution, a three-phase  
88 air pollution monitoring system based on Arduino IDE, Wi-Fi modules, and gas sensors is  
89 proposed. The technology, which may be physically put in cities, accesses air quality data via an  
90 Android application called IoT-Mobair. The system can forecast pollution levels and future air

91 quality index values. ( Parmar et al., 2017) A working prototype of an environmental air  
92 pollution monitoring system has been developed by integrating Wi-Fi modules and inexpensive  
93 semiconductor gas sensors. The gadget uses a Raspberry Pi 3 server to display the data it collects  
94 on gas concentrations. The system's low-cost infrastructure for data delivery and collection is  
95 part of its design. (Gupta et al., 2019) suggested an IoT-based Air Quality Monitoring System for  
96 Smart Cities that gathers real-time data on temperature, humidity, carbon monoxide, LPG,  
97 smoke, and other harmful particulate matter from smart devices. The data is analysed and made  
98 available globally through an Android application, ensuring that cities stay livable and smart.

99 (Okokpuije et al., 2018) proposed an Internet of Things-based air quality monitoring system for  
100 smart cities that collects temperature data in real time. The data is analysed and made available  
101 globally through an Android application, ensuring that cities stay livable and smart. (Idrees &  
102 Zheng 2020) analysed air pollution monitoring systems (APMS), classifying them as static and  
103 mobile, portable devices, community-supported techniques, WSN-based systems, and IoT-  
104 supported approaches. It compares architecture and technologies, investigates real-time  
105 monitoring concerns, methods, and constraints, and proposes future goals for more precise and  
106 realistic air monitoring systems.

107 (Vallero , 2014) provided a better systems view and increased coverage of worldwide air  
108 pollution issues. Also covered were new materials on near-road air pollution, risk assessment  
109 methods, indoor air quality, biofuels, mercury emissions, forecasting tools, and the National Air  
110 Toxics Assessment. (Sierra-Vargas, 2012) analysed the relationship between air pollution and  
111 respiratory disease, proposes that lowering pollution can prevent disease, and emphasises the  
112 potential benefits of collaborative initiatives. (Naik et al., 2023) offered an Internet of Things  
113 (IoT)-based air pollution monitoring system to track pollution levels in industrial, residential, and

114 transportation areas. The system can analyse pollutants, display pollution levels in any location,  
115 and save measured values in a cloud database.

116 (Senthilkumar et al., 2020) stated an air quality monitoring system based on fog computing and  
117 the IoT. The data generated by microprocessor-based IoT sensing devices is transferred to the  
118 cloud for rapid, high-volume service. The fog nodes filter non-actionable data before sending it  
119 to the cloud for long-term storage for batch analytics. This new technology for measuring air  
120 quality can detect changes in air quality patterns. (Yavas et al., 2021) investigated the impact of  
121 the Sakarya fireworks factory explosion on air pollution, highlighting the potential health effects  
122 of such events and the need for future research.

123 (Hardini et al., 2023) considered Machine learning (ML) a powerful tool for developing an Air  
124 Quality Index (AQI). It involves collecting and preprocessing air quality data from sources like  
125 sensors, satellites, and weather stations. Feature engineering is then done to preprocess the data,  
126 ensuring consistency and improving model performance. ML algorithms are chosen based on the  
127 problem, data characteristics, and performance requirements. The dataset is split into training,  
128 validation, and test sets, and the models are trained and evaluated. The ML models can predict  
129 AQI values in real-time or on-demand, enabling continuous monitoring and timely updates. They  
130 are also adaptable and scalable, making them suitable for processing large volumes of data from  
131 multiple sources. However, careful consideration of data quality, model interpretability, bias, and  
132 ethical concerns is crucial for developing robust and reliable AQI systems.

133 (Song et al., 2017) looked into the impact of pyrotechnics on air pollution levels in a valley  
134 community. The results revealed that pollutant concentrations increased dramatically within 2-4  
135 hours of the displays, with the highest concentrations reported in dwelling areas. However,  
136 dwelling quarters and industrial zones had lower SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>2</sub> levels than preliminary Eve

137 values. O<sub>3</sub> concentrations dropped rather than rising with the displays. According to the study,  
138 interactions between fireworks and human activities lead to diverse pollution trends. (Chen et al.,  
139 2022) examined how fireworks regulations are implemented in China and found that strict  
140 regulations significantly improve public health by lowering rates of breathing and heart-related  
141 diseases, while moderate regulations have no effect and reduce ambient PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations by  
142 8% during festival months. These findings offer new insights for policymakers. For, instance,  
143 (Lai & Brimblecombe, 2020) Fireworks at China's New Year celebrations emit large levels of  
144 airborne particulate matter, necessitating tight regulations. Despite initial ineffectiveness due to  
145 mercantile and stakeholder pressures, advances have been observed in recent years, particularly  
146 in Beijing's inner districts. Sales of fireworks have fallen, as has debris accumulation. Consumer  
147 opinions have turned towards regulation, with social media and government articles emphasising  
148 the importance of safety when using fireworks. The strategy has proven effective in decreasing  
149 pollution from Beijing fireworks.

150 During firecrackers, optimization problems can arise, particularly during events like cultural  
151 festivals. These problems involve minimizing the negative impact of fireworks on air quality,  
152 public health, safety, and environmental sustainability. To address these issues, optimize the  
153 timing, location, and intensity of fireworks displays, choose environmentally friendly fireworks,  
154 and consider meteorological conditions. Control noise pollution by selecting low-noise  
155 fireworks, implementing noise abatement measures, and establishing buffer zones between  
156 fireworks sites and residential areas. Implement fire safety planning to prevent fires caused by  
157 fireworks, and prioritize public health protection for vulnerable populations. Optimize  
158 environmental conservation efforts to minimize the ecological impact of fireworks on wildlife,  
159 vegetation, and ecosystems. Optimize traffic flow and crowd control to ensure safe movement.



160 Minimize littering and environmental contamination from fireworks debris and packaging  
161 materials. Foster community engagement and stakeholder collaboration to promote inclusivity  
162 and transparency in decision-making processes.

163 In this research IoT and Spark models can offer innovative solutions to monitor, analyze, and  
164 improve air quality. The main problems include limited monitoring infrastructure, health  
165 impacts, environmental degradation, economic costs, and regulatory compliance. Feasible  
166 solutions include IoT sensor networks for real-time data collection across various locations, data  
167 aggregation and analysis using Spark, and Air Quality Index (AQI) calculation using algorithms  
168 and models. Predictive modeling can forecast future air quality conditions, enabling proactive  
169 measures to mitigate pollution and protect public health. Alert systems based on AQI thresholds  
170 can notify authorities and the public about deteriorating air quality conditions, triggering  
171 appropriate responses such as advisories, restrictions, or interventions. Major contributions of  
172 IoT and Spark include real-time monitoring, data-driven insights, public awareness, policy  
173 formulation, and environmental impact. Real-time monitoring provides timely insights into  
174 pollution levels and trends, while data-driven insights facilitate data-driven decision-making for  
175 policymakers, urban planners, and environmental agencies. The AQI raises awareness about the  
176 importance of reducing pollution and taking preventive measures. Accurate air quality data  
177 generated by IoT and Spark models can inform the development of evidence-based policies and  
178 regulations aimed at improving air quality and protecting public health. Therefore, integrating  
179 IoT sensors with Spark-based analytics to calculate an Air Quality Index offers a powerful  
180 solution to address air quality challenges, providing real-time monitoring, data-driven insights,  
181 and actionable information for stakeholders to improve public health and environmental quality.

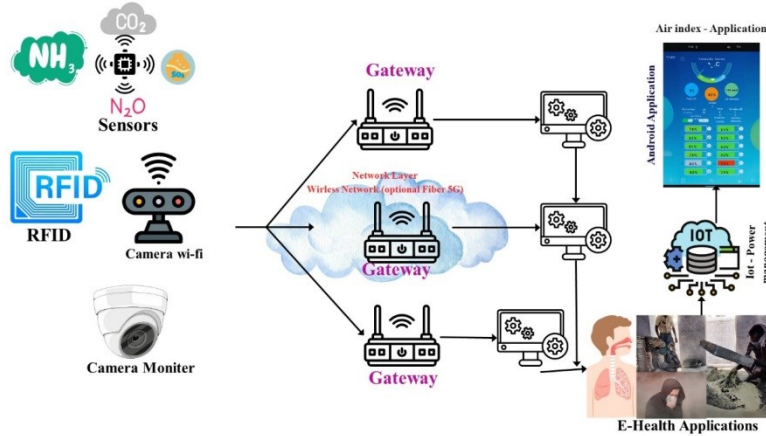
## 182 **2. Materials and methods**

183 The suggested system design for monitoring air quality in fire work industrial settings is  
184 explained in this section.

### 185 **2.1. Architecture design:**

186 The main layer and information source of the Internet of Things is the perception layer. This  
187 layer uses sensors, electronic data interfaces (EDI), radio frequency identification (RFID)  
188 systems, wireless sensor networks (WSN), global positioning systems (GPS), reader-writers,  
189 objects, tags, smart terminals, cameras, and other technologies to recognise objects and collect  
190 data. Due to the integration of many technologies, such as WSNs, RFID sensor networks (RSN),  
191 and RFID, the idea of the Internet of Things has changed over time. A reader and a few tags are  
192 the foundation of an RFID system, which uses radio waves to read and record data stored on tags  
193 attached to objects. RFID can identify things wirelessly and without requiring a direct line of  
194 sight. Sensing and monitoring the environment are the goals of WSN. Figure 2 displays the  
195 architecture design. The system operates on its own for varying durations, ranging from days to  
196 years. Numerous sensor nodes that can be employed on the ground, in the air, in vehicles, within  
197 buildings, etc. make up the sensor network. RSN is an RFID and WSN integration that helps  
198 locate and identify objects while also giving information about their state to the owner of the  
199 sensor-enabled RFID tag.

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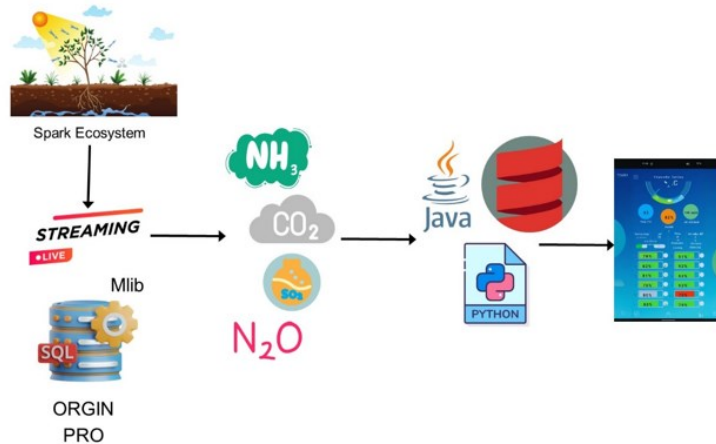
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**Figure 2 Architecture design**

203 The novelty of using the Internet of Things (IoT) to create an Air Quality Index (AQI) stems  
 204 from its capacity to improve accessibility, data accuracy, and real-time monitoring.

205 **2.2. Integration of IoT algorithm for fireworkers**

206 Fast and versatile cluster computing solution, Apache Spark is also an open-source processing  
 207 platform. Figure 3 shows the ecosystem of spark. It facilitates the quick construction of big data  
 208 applications; it allows programming languages with high-level APIs, including Scala, Java, R,  
 209 and Python; and it has an optimised engine that can handle general execution graphs. It also  
 210 offers an extensive array of advanced devices, such as Spark SQL for SQL, GraphX for graph  
 211 processing, Spark streaming, and MLlib for ML, as well as structured data analysis.



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**Figure 3 Spark network**

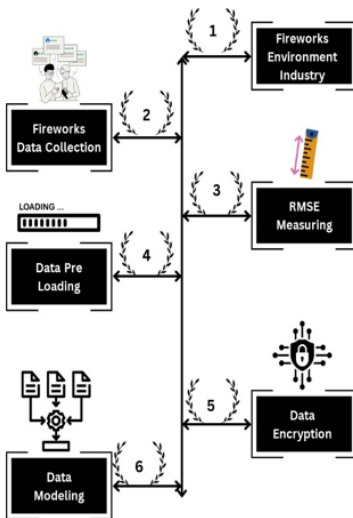
214 Spark models are a distributed computing framework that offers scalability, parallel processing,  
 215 real-time analytics, and ecosystem integration for developing Air Quality Index (AQI) prediction  
 216 systems. They handle large-scale data sets from multiple sources, enabling efficient data  
 217 processing and analysis. Spark's machine learning library (MLlib) provides a rich set of scalable  
 218 algorithms and tools for building predictive models. Real-time analytics through Spark  
 219 Streaming and Spark SQL enable AQI prediction models to analyze streaming data streams and  
 220 generate real-time predictions. However, Spark models require expertise in distributed  
 221 computing, data engineering, and machine learning, requiring additional complexity and  
 222 overhead. Resource constraints may also be a challenge, with Spark models requiring significant  
 223 computational resources. Algorithm selection depends on data characteristics, modeling  
 224 objectives, and performance requirements. Data quality and preprocessing are crucial for  
 225 accuracy and reliability. Interpretability and transparency are essential for building trust and  
 226 validating results. In conclusion, Spark models' effectiveness depends on various factors, and  
 227 careful evaluation of problem requirements, computational resources, data characteristics, and  
 228 modeling objectives is necessary to determine their suitability for AQI prediction.

229 Simply put, Spark MLlib is Spark's ML library. It provides a wide range of capabilities, including  
230 pipelines, ML algorithms, persistence, and feature optimisation. Figure 4 shows the algorithm  
231 outline. It seeks to simplify and scale practical machine learning. In this study, the investigators  
232 had selected:

233 • Gradient-boosted trees (GBTs): a widely used regression method that makes use of ensembles  
234 of decision trees, in addition to an effective classification procedure. Decision trees are  
235 iteratively trained by GBTs to reduce a loss function. Similar to decision trees, GBTs may  
236 record feature interactions and nonlinearities, work in classification with multiple classes  
237 settings, and handle categorical information. They also don't require feature scaling.

238 • ML pipelines: a group of tools that let users build, assess, and fine-tune ML pipelines.

239 This work used an easy-to-understand and efficient method to analyse our data and build a model  
240 centred on the GBT classifier.



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**Figure 4 Outline of the algorithm**

243 Step 1: Preparing the data

244 It entails preparing data so that it may be processed by the user more quickly and efficiently  
245 because most data is raucous, erratic, and imprecise.

246 Step 2: Configuring the environment

247 This part set up an account on Databricks (no date), a unified analytics system built by the  
248 people who developed Apache Spark with the intention of assisting customers with large data  
249 processing on the cloud using Spark.

250 Step 3: Loading data

251 The process of transferring and loading a dataset into Databricks' distributed file system, DBFS,  
252 from its source file is known as data loading.

253 Step 4: Dividing data

254 The technique of separating accessible data into two halves, usually for cross-validation, is  
255 known as data splitting. A piece of the data is used to develop a predictive model (called training  
256 data), while another portion is used to assess the model's efficacy (called test data).

257 Step 5: Modelling data

258 Data modelling is the process of creating an ML model to forecast future air quality and offer  
259 advice on the health effects of air pollution on people.

260 Step 6: Measure the Root Mean Square Error (RMSE)

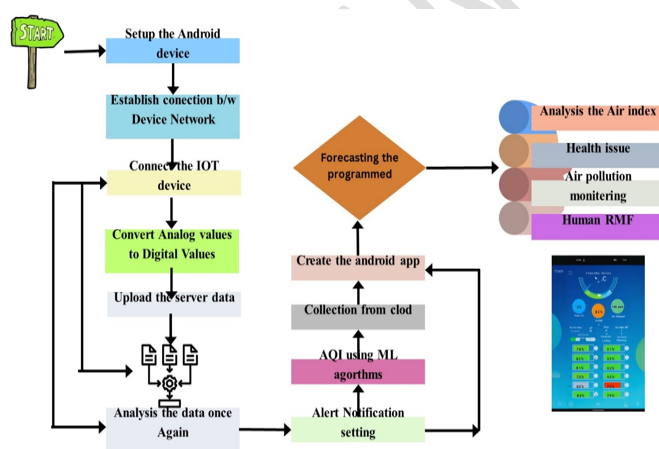
261 RMSE is a well recognised metric that quantifies the discrepancies between the results that the  
262 model predicts and the actual values that are observed.

263 **2.3. Measuring the Air Quality Index of fireworkers**

264 **2.3.1. Prediction**

265 The local weather and neighbouring emissions of pollutants have a substantial correlation with  
266 air quality levels. Nevertheless, when predicting local AQI levels, long-range pollution  
267 transport—via high winds—must be taken into account as a significant influencing factor. As a  
268 result, forecasting air quality entails more than just the challenges associated with weather  
269 prediction; it also necessitates data and knowledge regarding both local and distant pollution  
270 levels and discharges. Figure 5 shows the overall flow of the suggested system.

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273 **Figure 5 Prediction of the proposed system**

274 **2.3.2. Calculating the health condition of fireworkers through AQI**

275 One of the key instruments for evaluating and consistently portraying the state of the air quality  
276 is the AQI. The Air Quality Index (AQI) is a common way to describe the total effect of  
277 individual pollutant concentrations in the surrounding air as a single number which is shown in  
278 table 1. The following formula has been used to calculate the AQI index for the data set used for

279 training.

280 **Table 1. Health Breaks, Pollutants, and AQI Category**

<b>AQI Category (Range)</b>	<b>Good (0-50)</b>	<b>Satisfactory (51-100)</b>	<b>Moderately polluted (101-200)</b>	<b>Poor (201-350)</b>	<b>Very poor (301-400)</b>
<b>PM<sub>10</sub></b>	0-40	31-90	71-240	115-250	251-350
<b>PM<sub>25</sub></b>	0-20	21-50	41-80	71-110	111-150
<b>NO<sub>2</sub></b>	0-30	31-80	91-170	161-250	271-648
<b>O</b>	0-40	41-90	91-158	159-108	109-548
<b>CO<sub>3</sub></b>	0-1.5	1-2.5	1.1-15	15-27	17-64
<b>SO<sub>2</sub></b>	0-30	31-70	61-280	281-750	701-1500

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282 **2.5. Android application for fire workers to calculate AQI**

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284 Using regression models like GBT and Spark MLlib and functions from Python machine  
285 learning libraries, the model forecasts the accuracy of the air purity index level in years to come.

286 There is a comparison between the two models' accuracy results which is shown in figure 6.



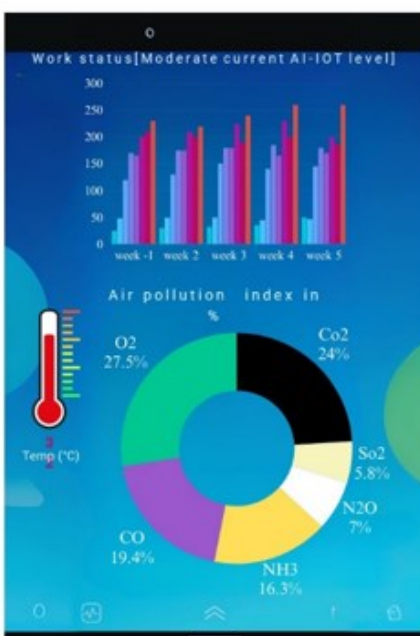


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**Figure 6 The Android application's dashboard screen**

289 The standard pre-script denotes the standard value in accordance with Central Pollution Control  
 290 Board (CPCB) regulations, while the actual pre-script shows the observed value of the parameter  
 291 for a given duration. As seen in figure 7, a smartphone app is created to show the current AQI  
 292 number, the current temperature and humidity readings, and the breakdown of all the gases that  
 293 cause pollution. Additionally, the app notifies the user in the event of extreme air pollution and  
 294 shows the next AQI as anticipated by the machine learning model.



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**Figure 7. The Android application's forecast screen**

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### 298 **3. Results and discussion**

#### 299 *3.1. Collection of data*

300 To lower the hazards, governments and organisations have imposed regulatory limitations on  
 301 certain pollutants. Table 2 displays the various standard limits and pollution levels that have  
 302 been declared. These details were gathered from **Sri Krishna Fireworks in Tamil Nadu's**  
 303 **Sivakasi**, also known as "mini Japan." For this study, crackers such as lanterns, rockets, atom  
 304 bombs, and crackling king were employed. The IoT sensor used to detect air quality index they  
 305 are temperature sensor, humidity sensor, proximity sensor, vibration sensor, pressure sensor and  
 306 dust sensor which is employed in table 2.

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**Table 2 Data collection**

Pollutant	IoT sensor used	AIR QUALITY INDEX (AQHI LEVEL) taken in sivakasi (Sri Krishna Fireworks)				
		Sparklers	Rocket	Atom bomb	lanterns	Crackling king
Carbon Monoxide (CO)	Temperature sensor, Humidity sensor, Pressure sensor, Proximity sensor, Vibration sensor.PPD42 Dust Sensors	7.78ppm	13.23ppm	3.12ppm	3.89ppm	8.12ppm
Lead (Pb)		8.56 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	16.89 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	2.12 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	4.23 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	3.09 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$
Nitrogen Dioxide (NO <sub>2</sub> )		7.56ppb	23.90ppb	1.23ppb	9.23ppb	2.34ppb
Ozone (O <sub>3</sub> )		7.12 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	34. $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	2.12 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	17.98 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	18.90 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$
Particulate Matter (PM <sub>2.5</sub> and PM <sub>10</sub> )		3.89 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	23.12 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	3.12 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	8.23 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	23.12 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$
Sulfur Dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )		8.89ppb	32.22ppb	1.23ppb	6.98ppb	31.12ppb

308 ppm-part of gas per million in air  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ - cubic meter of air contains one microgram ppb-part  
309 of gas per billion in air

310 It is a crucial tool for predicting air quality, requiring a thorough analysis of factors like pollutant  
311 concentrations, meteorological conditions, and historical data. Machine learning (ML)  
312 techniques can be used to predict AQI by analyzing these data. The process involves data  
313 collection, preprocessing, model selection, training, evaluation, deployment, and continuous  
314 improvement. Data is collected from various sources, including air quality monitoring stations,  
315 satellite observations, and weather stations. ML algorithms are chosen based on the dataset size,  
316 complexity, and desired accuracy. The model is trained using the training dataset, optimized

317 through techniques like cross-validation, and evaluated using the testing dataset. Continuous  
 318 improvement is encouraged through regular updates and the incorporation of new data and  
 319 features. The government and organisation agencies created an indicator called the Air Quality  
 320 Index (AQI) to make it easier for the public to comprehend the current state of the air quality.  
 321 When it comes to meeting the needs of one or more biotic species, as well as any human need or  
 322 purpose, the AQI gauges each person's "condition or state." Put simply, it informs the public of  
 323 how "good" the air quality is right now or is expected to be in the future. Air quality indexes may  
 324 vary throughout agencies.

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### 326 3.2. Data Measurement of Gas in air using data samples

327 The researcher conducted a study on the occupational safety and well-being of Sivakasi's  
 328 fireworks workers. Using basic random selection, researchers chose 10 samples—six male and  
 329 four female—from among those who have worked with fireworks at Sri Krishna Fireworks for  
 330 their study. A survey of fireworks industry personnel was undertaken by a researcher to obtain  
 331 data on the efficacy of the industry. IoT sensors were employed by the researcher as a data  
 332 collection tool. Table 3 displays the measurements made by the polluting or contaminating gas  
 333 measuring device.

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**Table 3 Data Measurement scale**

Statistics	No of Observations (6 male and 4 female)	Average value		Range	Standard deviation( $\sigma$ )	Air Quality Index
		Min	Max			
CO	10	2.2	3.5	0.453	0.5637	4.213

Particulate Matter (PM <sub>2.5</sub> and PM <sub>10</sub> )	10	15.32	17.90	13.28	22.994	20.89
Lead (Pb)	10	19.23	20.21	15.32	3.7822	16.90
SO <sub>2</sub>	10	24.9	26.3	4.21	4.9082	16.23
O <sub>3</sub>	10	0.43	4.21	3.90	5.9073	4.90
NO <sub>2</sub>	10	0.23	6.21	2.34	2.0001	3.90

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336 The Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) system, which was created by the Pollution Control  
 337 Board of India, is used as an example of an AQI to help explain the concept. The figure 8 shows  
 338 this system. The AQHI method offers a clearer picture of the public's health hazards and offers  
 339 specific recommendations for preventative measures for each AHQI level.

Health Risk Category	AQHI
Low (Green)	1
	2
	3
Moderate (Orange)	4
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High (Red)	7
Very High (Brown)	8
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Serious (Black)	10+

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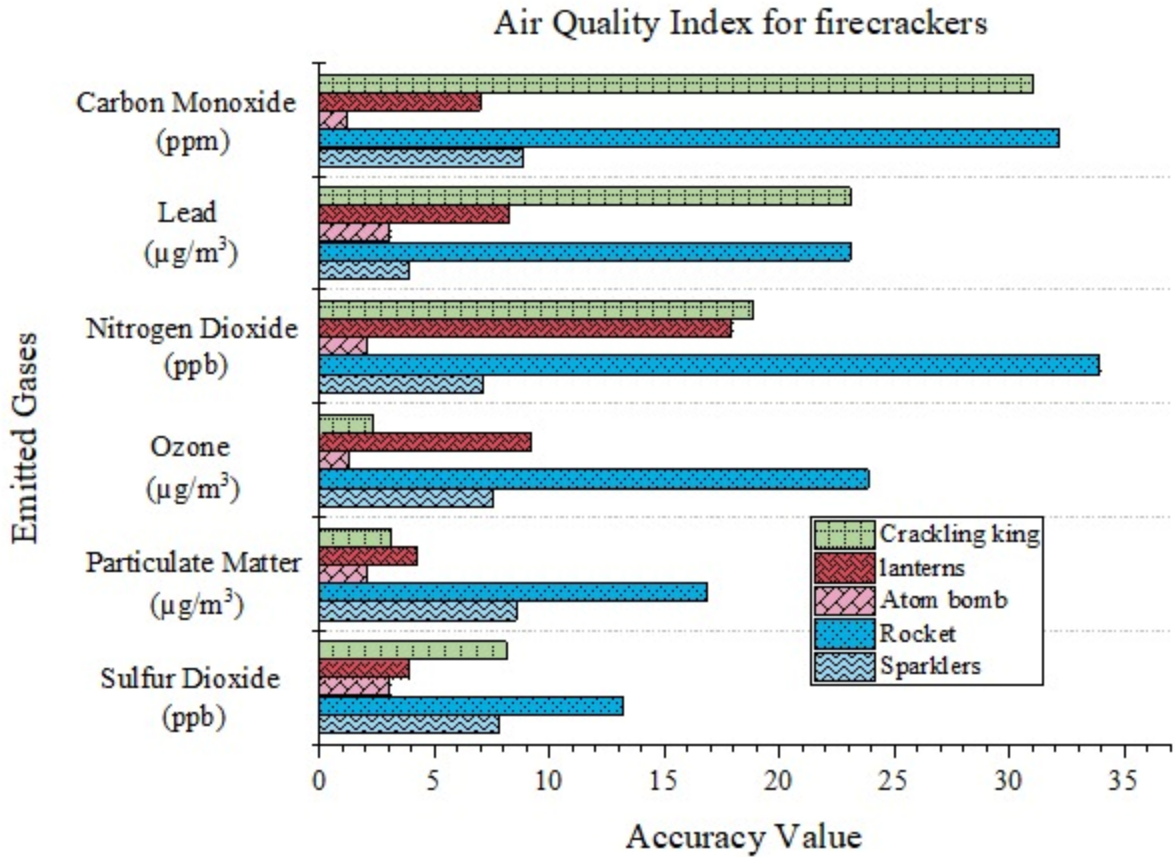
**Figure 8 AQHI level**

342 The following outcomes were attained after researchers used Python in Spark to create our  
 343 model, which was built on GBTs and ML pipelines: Our data is first transformed into a

344 DataFrame, or df, that is a distributed set of data arranged into columns with names. The count()  
345 function was then utilised, which yields the total number of components in a set of data or the  
346 outcome of an RDD operation. Upon launch, the Android app requests authentication. To log in  
347 to the application, the user can enter a password and a username. AQI forecast and  
348 Dashboard are the 3 navigation boards in the user interface. The Android application's  
349 dashboard, shown in Figure 9, shows the current AQI level in parts per million (ppm) as well as  
350 the makeup of each pollutant, including Pb, Particulate matter, Ozone, NO<sub>2</sub>, CO, and SO<sub>2</sub>. The  
351 dashboard additionally shows the humidity and temperature. The training data sets' numerical  
352 and visual representations can be found in the Android application's graphs navigation, which is  
353 used to analyse real-time data values. This study confined the columns shown to:

- 354 1. The actual value of the air's purity in order to make the results simpler to see, as in Figure 10.
- 355 2. Based on our model, the expected air quality rating.
- 356 3. The remaining feature columns in our dataset are called featurecols.

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359 **Figure 9 Accuracy value of emitted gases in atmosphere during blasting firecrackers**

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print "RMSE on our test set: %g" % rmse
▶ (1) Spark Jobs
RMSE on our test set: 0.131808
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362 **Figure 10 RMSE value**

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364 The AQI Forecast navigator of the application for Android, depicted in Figure 10, shows the

365 expected AQI of the upcoming days together with the AQI level chart. Lastly, calculating

366 assessment measures is critical to comprehending forecast quality. RMSE was employed in this  
367 study to assess our predictions. RMSE values for good prediction models should generally be  
368 less than 0.3. It is true that our RMSE (Figure 10) equals  $0.14 < 0.4$ , which leads us to conclude  
369 that our model is reliable.

## 370 **7. Conclusion**

371 This paper provides comprehensive details on the design and implementation of a smart air  
372 pollution tracking system developed by researchers. The system continuously monitors the  
373 quality of the air in a given area, analyses the data using a training data set, and forecasts the  
374 pollution level for the next few days. This work has focused on combining two novel ideas—big  
375 data and IoT—to address environmental problems, including air pollution. In fact, by utilising  
376 Spark technology in the Databricks structure and a US pollution dataset, this study was able to  
377 construct a precise model that can foresee air quality well enough to aid in our understanding of  
378 the detrimental effects that air pollution has on our lives and in our efforts to avoid, manage, and  
379 minimize this problem as soon as feasible. During the Diwali festival, loud explosive fireworks  
380 displays, cracker displays, etc., produce significant but transient air pollution. The amount of  
381 SO<sub>2</sub> in firecrackers rose many times, and the amount of air pollutants doubled compared to what  
382 is normally reported on a regular winter day. The area with the greatest amount of air pollutants  
383 was identified as S15, which appears to be associated with the high population density and  
384 economic standing of the local residents. Technology plays a crucial role in evaluating air  
385 pollution indexes (APIs) by providing accurate and timely data collection, analysis, and  
386 dissemination. Advanced air quality sensors, such as IoT-based sensors, provide real-time  
387 monitoring of pollutants like PM, NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, CO, and O<sub>3</sub>. Remote sensing technologies, such as  
388 satellite-based sensors, offer a broader perspective on air pollution. Big data analytics and



389 machine learning enable the processing and analysis of large volumes of data, generating insights  
390 for API evaluation. Visualization tools and geographic information systems help stakeholders  
391 understand API values, pollution trends, and potential health impacts. Mobile applications  
392 provide personalized API information, while integrated technology platforms support  
393 policymakers in formulating and implementing air quality policies. Future work can include  
394 applying the technique of forecasting to bigger areas with more intricate machine learning  
395 algorithms.

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