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## Smart Buffer Stock Solution

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**Abstract:** Buffer stock refers to a reserve of a commodity that is used to offset price fluctuations and unforeseen emergencies. It is generally maintained for essential commodities and necessities like food grains, pulses, etc. Buffer inventory (also known as safety stock, supply chain safety net, or contingency stock) refers to a surplus of inventory that is stored in a warehouse in case of an emergency, supply chain failure, transportation delays, or an unexpected surge in demand. Buffer stocks help maintain and control the prices of commodities that go out of hand; however, safety stocks protect producers from suppliers upstream. The advantages of buffer stocks are that they maintain price stability, minimize food shortages, and prevent sudden drops in prices. It is aimed to supplement the growing investments of the Indian Government towards Buffer Stocks in India. The buffer stock would be used to control prices in case there is a shortage of stock in the market. an attempt to use commodity storage for the purposes of stabilizing prices in an entire economy or an individual (commodity) market. The proposed system will be smart and efficient thanks to the use of the Internet of Things (IoT), and the user will receive system notifications from anywhere.

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### INTRODUCTION

India is one of the largest producers of vegetables and grains. Most of the families in India depend on agriculture for their livelihood. However, because of the constant changes in the climate may result in the decay of these vegetables. Every vegetable has to be stored at a particular temperature and humidity level. Due to insufficient storage capacity of warehouses, a Hike in price due to high demand for vegetables during scarcity leads to wastage of the vegetables. For example, all businesses and products are down during the COVID time. The prices of vegetables have increased tremendously. Due to the lack of stock and the rise in prices, people spend a lot of money on vegetables and the poor were unable to buy and had to live in poverty. Also, some the vegetables like Onions need special conditions to preserve as the onion bulbs contain huge amounts of water. In order to overcome all these situations buffer stocks were used. The main purpose of the buffer stock is to ensure price stability. In this project, we created a Smart Buffer Stock Solution, An Internet of Things (IoT) system to monitor the amount of capacity used in given buffer stocks at various locations and estimate the weights of food buffer stocks. Temperature and humidity sensors have been used in this system to monitor temperature and humidity.

The Smart Buffer Stock Solution system has two modules. 1) Analyzer module and 2) Security module. The Analyzer module is the main part that monitors the warehouse and uploads to a remote server. The security module is an introductory PIN code predicated entry system to secure the demesne. Each Buffer Stock position must be equipped with a microcontroller analogous as an ESP32 along with an internet connection.

An embedded system is a combination of software and hardware to perform a devoted task. The design “ Smart Buffer Stock Solution ” uses ARDUINO UNO Microcontroller and esp32 module that can cover the buffer stock along with temperature and humidity into the thing speak through IOT and display the same data on LCD module. This system corresponds to the security word to unlock the buffer stock warehouse. In the end, the model displays the amount of Buffer Stocks used at various locations and updates this data into the thing speak through IOT.

## RELATED WORKS

### ➤ EXISTING SYSTEMS:

The Smart Buffer Stock Solution is aimed to condense the growing investments of the Indian Government toward Buffer Stocks in India. Different Buffer Stocks systems were designed for different vegetables rested on their growing conditions. The words ‘ buffer stock ’ and ‘ safety stock ’ are used synonymously to relate to the fresh stock that a business reality keeps on hand to act as a guard against force and demand oscillations. Both buffer stock force and safety stock serve the same function, i.e., guaranteeing a respectable force position to satisfy demand and full fill orders on schedule.

The being models of a Smart Buffer Stock result include the [1] International Coffee Organization’s (ICO) Coffee agreement. Under this agreement, member countries agree to maintain a buffer stock of coffee tire that can be used to stabilize prices in the coffee request. The ICO sets price ranges for the coffee tire and member countries are demanded to buy or vend tire from the buffer stock to keep prices within these ranges. According to [2] D Bodde’s publication, Henry A. Wallace established Ever – normal granary, in the first century BC in China. Aimed to stabilize force, buying grain in good times and distributing to regions suffering insufficiency.

The minimum Support Price( MSP) system is the Indian Government’s system for crops similar as wheat and rice. Under this system, the government sets a minimum price for these crops, and if the request price falls below this position, the government buys the fat yield to maintain the prices. The MSP system also includes a buffer stock of these crops, which can be released into the request if prices rise above a certain position.

As the technology growing, new styles were used to produce the buffer stock results. For illustration, a onset called DataFarm has developed a system that uses satellite imagery and machine knowledge to prognosticate crop yields and request prices. growers can use this information to decide how important of their crops to vend, and the system can also be used to manage a buffer stock of crops to stabilize the prices.

Piecemeal from these, there are some styles that helped to calculate the buffer stocks rested on factors like demand and consumption. Safety Stock computation, is an excellent approach to snappily estimate the ideal quantum of buffer stock in case of an unlooked- for circumstance. Formula for safety stock computation  

$$\text{Maximum daily sales} \times \text{Maximum lead time} - (\text{Average daily usage} \times \text{Average lead time})$$

4) Hezier and Render’s employs the standard divagation of the lead time distribution and the required service factor rested on literal force chain detainments, this provides a more realistic picture of the quantum of buffer force we should keep on hand. This fashion is reckoned by multiplying your asked service factor( Z) by the standard divagation in supereminent time and the extent and frequence with which the average lead time varies from the factual lead time. Critic use such a computation when the force is questionable. As a result, it delivers a more precise and accurate picture of late shipments lead time and frequence. still, it doesn't regard for oscillations in demand.

Greasley’s system considers the standard divagation of supereminent time, asked service factor and average demand. This strategy is generally utilised when demand and lead time change greatly. still, it doesn't consider the number of products that are still in product and aren't yet available for trade.

A financial response function to debt and the cycle is erected on a buffer- stock model for the government. This model inspired by the buffer- stock model of the consumer (Deaton 1991; Carroll 1997) includes a debt limit rather of the Intertemporal Budget Constraint (IBC). The IBC is weak (Bohn, 2007), a debt limit is more realistic as it reflects the trouble of losing request access. This trouble increases the weal cost of financial goad at high debt. As a result, the advanced the debt, the lower governments should smooth the cycle. A larger response of interest rates to debt and advanced hysteresis magnify this commerce between the debt position and the applicable response to shocks. With truly patient shocks, the applicable response to negative shocks in largely obliged countries can indeed be procyclical.

### ➤ PROPOSED SYSTEMS:

A proposed model for a smart buffer stock result could incorporate advanced technologies similar as machine knowledge, artificial intelligence, bedded systems, Internet Of goods to produce a more effective and effective system.

This proposed model has some implicit features like,

1) Prophetic analytics, used to read request trends and anticipate oscillations in force and demand, helps in determining the applicable size of the buffer stock.

2) Automated purchasing and dealing algorithms used to execute trades in the request rested on the destined price ranges.

3) Distributed tale technology, used to track the movement of goods and deals.

4) real – time monitoring, used to give cautions and perceptivity to decision- makers.

5) Integration with force chain operation insure the timely delivery of goods and reduce the trouble of stock outs.

This design deals with the buffer stocks, where we're using microcontrollers and IC's. It involves two modules. Security system This design makes a use of Arduino uno microcontroller. Keypad is used to enter the word. If the word is matched with the stored word Arduino will opens the door through servo motor. else, it's not possible. Stock section This system makes a use of two ultrasonic detectors is uses to observers the chance of stock at different locations. DHT11 is uses to cover the temperature and moisture values. LCD is used to display the chance of stock, temperature and moisture values. ESP32 module has inbuilt wi - fi is uses to upload the data into the thing speak pall along with date and time.

The features of this design are

1) Automatic buffer stock discovery and monitoring.

2) Monitoring detector data buffer on LCD module.

3) Using IOT thing speak pall platform to upload the data.

### Software Description:

This project is implemented using following software's:

- Arduino IDE Studio Compiler- for compilation part
- Procedural steps for compilation, simulation and dumping:

## BLOCK DIAGRAM

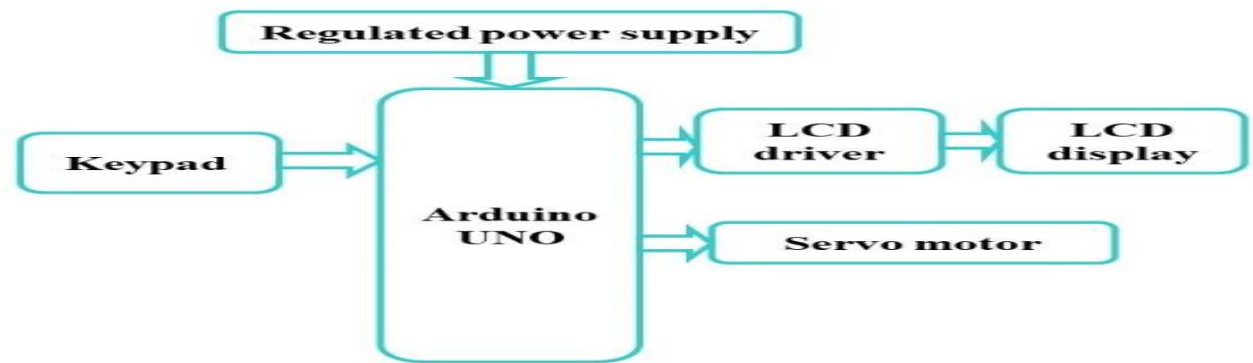


Fig : security module

This module consists of Arduino UNO and keypad. Security module allow us to unlock the system by entering the password through the keypad. The entered password is given to the Arduino uno. The LCD display in this module is used to display the password that we have entered. If the password entered is correct then the servomotor used in the module will opens the door.

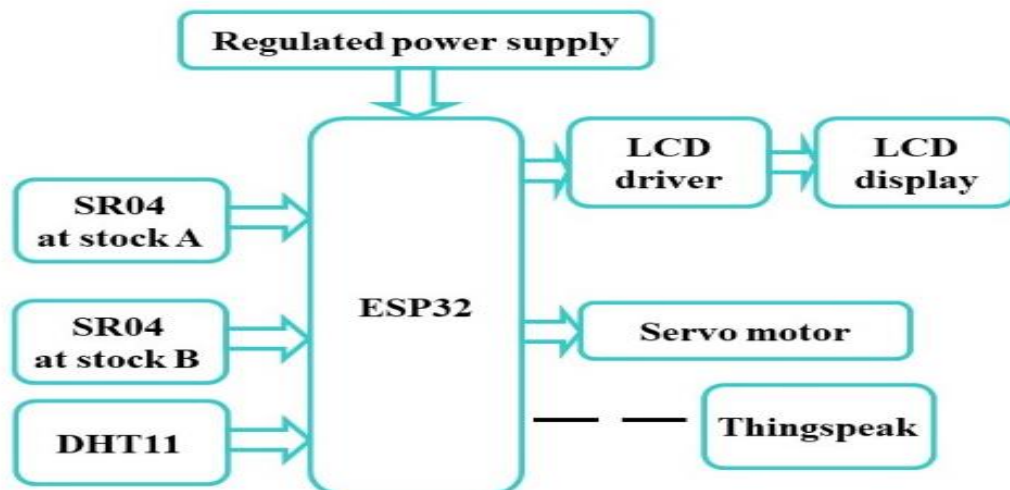


Fig: stock module

Stock Module is used to take the stock readings by using the ultrasonic sensor and it will give the input to Arduino uno and displays in this lcd by using esp32 wi-fi module we will send data to cloud. DHT11 is used for taking temperature and humidity readings in security circuit and whenever we enter the correct password i.e. 1234 here it will give access. The sent to cloud will be displayed in thing speak.

## RESULTS & DISCUSSION

The capacity of the buffer stocks stored and the humidity, temperature levels of the stock will be send to the cloud through thing speak. The readings are displayed on the thing speak website under the Smart buffer Stock Solution Channel. Using these readings one can easily understand about the stock and make profitable decisions according to the situations and fluctuations in price.

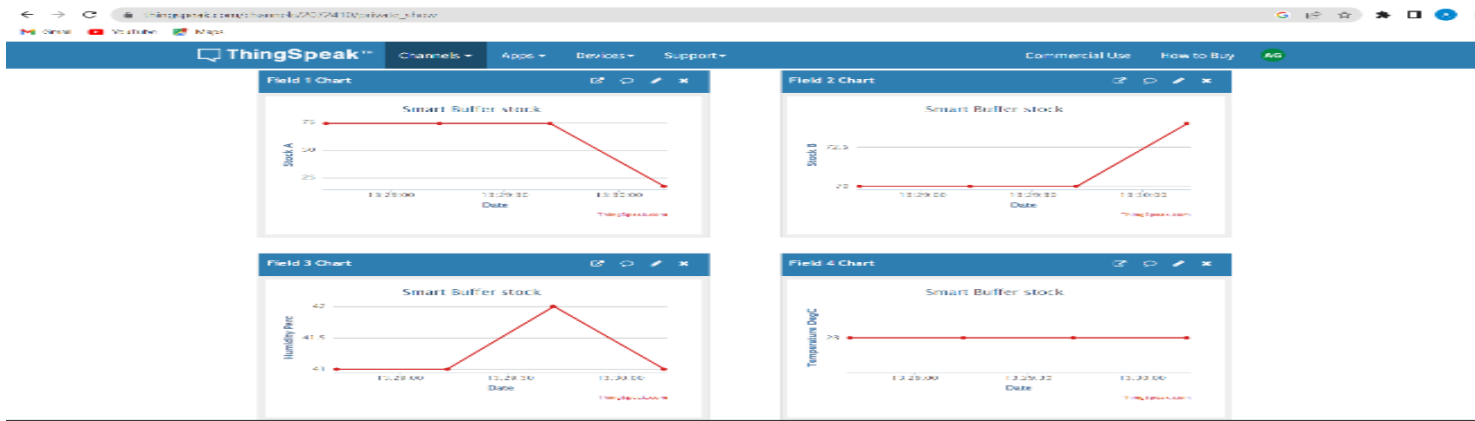


Fig: Temperature and humidity levels of the stock

Here we have created separate fields for each stock. Each field provide the available stock and the temperature details at given time and date. Using this platform one can retrieve this data at any time and any place without visiting the warehouse.

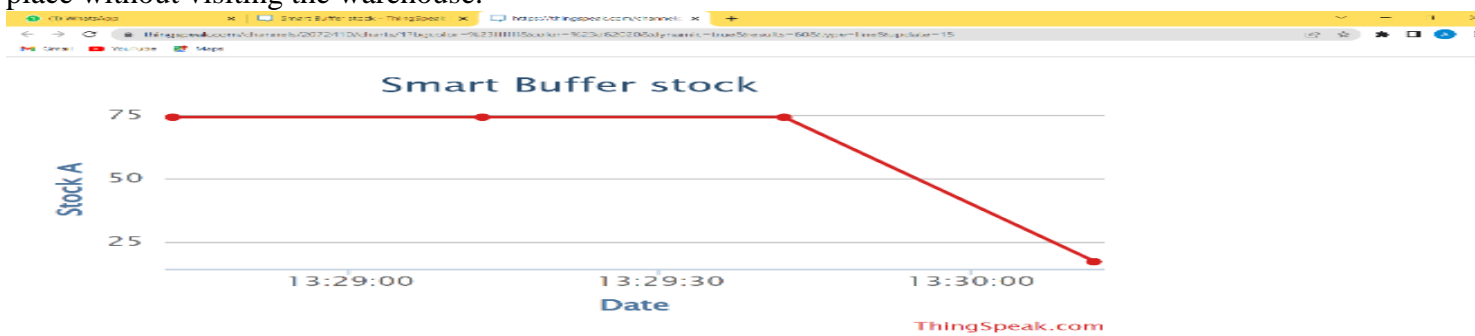


Fig: Readings of stock A



Fig: Readings of stock B

## CONCLUSION

Due to unforeseen circumstances in the atmosphere, most of the crops and vegetables are damaging. These damaged vegetables has to be sell at very low prices. To avoid the price fluctuations and preserve the crops this system can be used. Smart Buffer Stock Solution can be easily modified and implemented. So, that the users will get updates regarding the system conditions and the stock condition which may helps in selling the stock at convenient price.

This project aims to stabilise the prices, ensures the supply of food by avoiding the food shortages and mainly it prevents farmers going out of business because of price drops.

The Government can also make a profit from this system. If the Government buys the stock during a glut and sells during a shortage, then both the farmers and the Government can make a profit.

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