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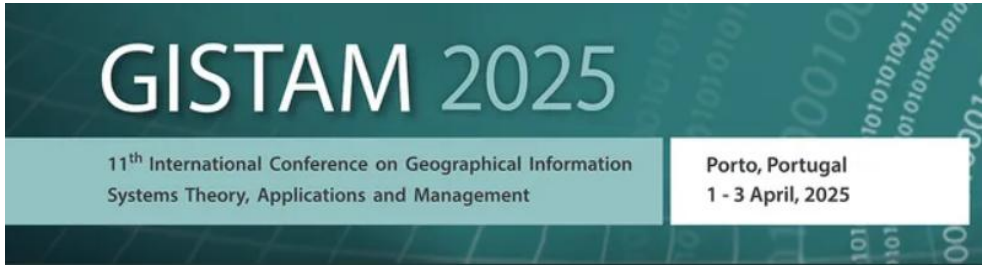


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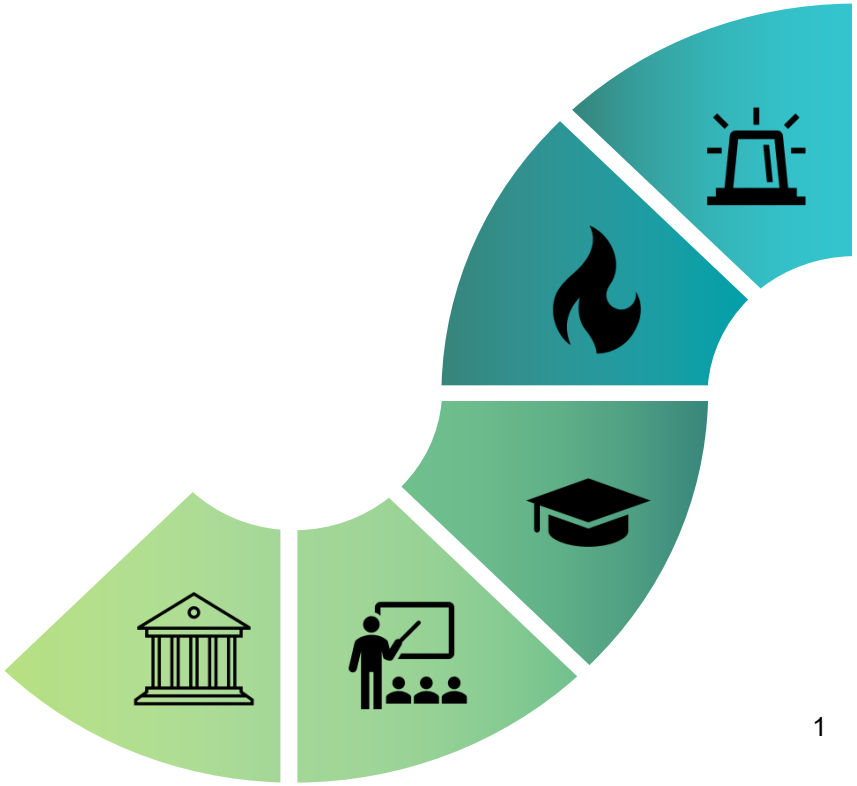

# PRESENTATION OUTLINE

1 INTRODUCTION TO UNIVERSITI KEBANGSAAN MALAYSIA

2 INTRODUCTION TO GEOSPATIAL APPLICATION IN UKM

3 PROBLEM STATEMENT

4 RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

5 RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

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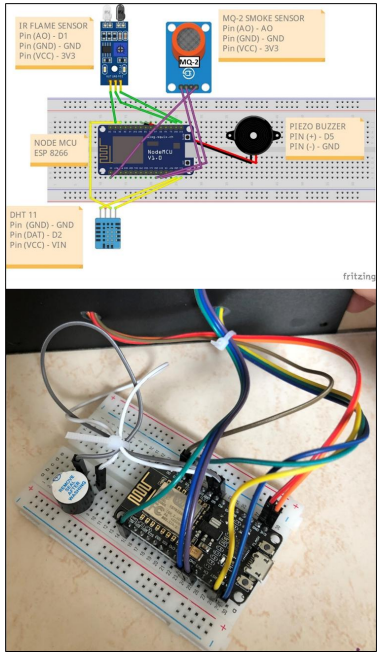
8 CONCLUSION



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# About Us

## VISION

UKM is committed to be ahead of society and time in leading the development of a learned, dynamic and moral society.

## MISSION

To be the learning centre of choice that promotes the sovereignty of Bahasa Melayu and internationalizes knowledge rooted in the National culture.

# Campus Location

**CAMPUS 1**

**CAMPUS 2**

**CAMPUS 3**

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Kuala Lumpur
(30 KM)

**CAMPUS 2**

Cheras
(20 KM)

Kajang Toll

E2

Putrajaya
(20 KM)

Bangi
Toll

Bangi

**CAMPUS 1**

E6

E2

Kuala Lumpur
International Airport (KLIA)
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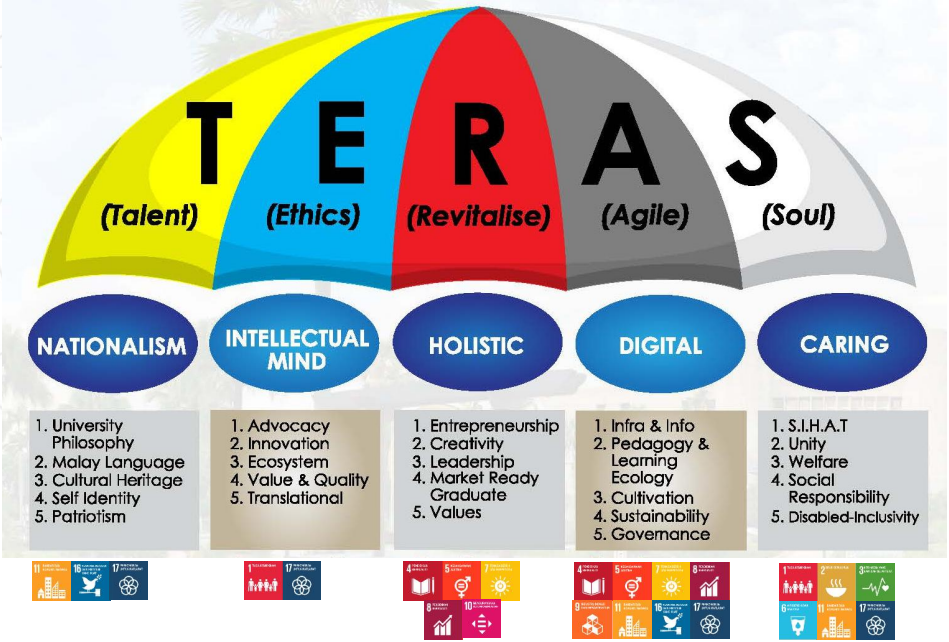
# UKM STRATEGIC PLAN T.E.R.A.S 2021-2025

# MAPPING OF UKM STRATEGIC PLAN WITH SDG



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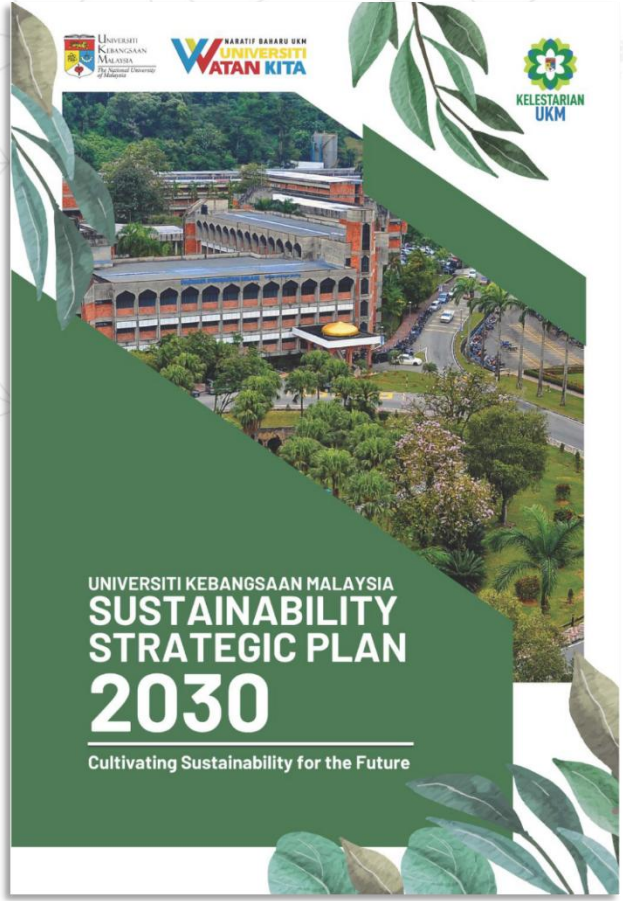


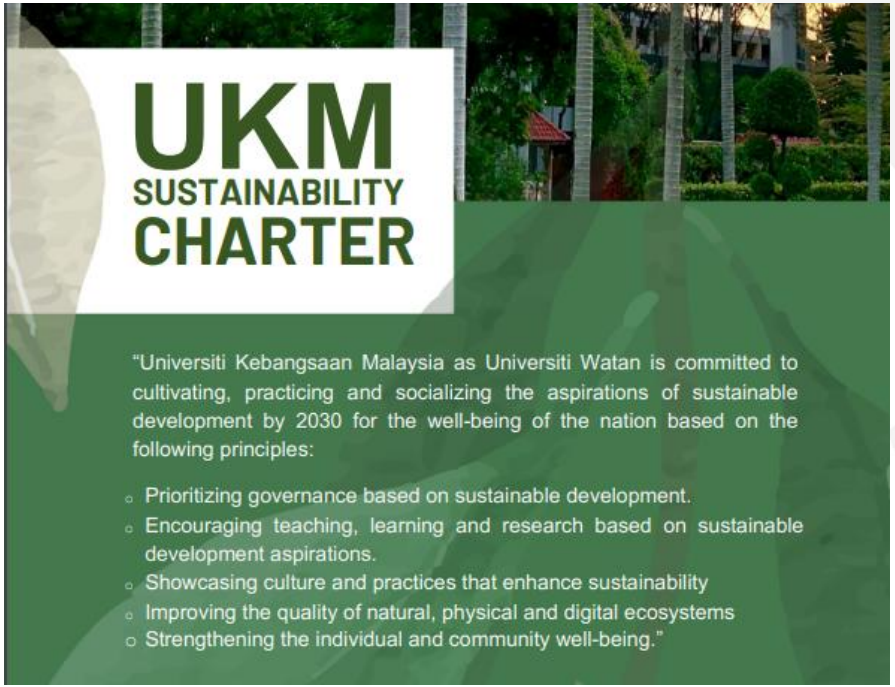

**15**
Faculty

SCAN ME !

- Engineering and Built Environment
- Science and Technology
- Law
- Health Sciences
- Islamic Studies
- Economics and Management
- Information Science and Technology
- Social Sciences and Humanities
- Education
- Medicine
- Pharmacy
- Dentistry
- School of Liberal Studies (CITRA-UKM)
- GENIUS@Pintar National Gifted Centre
- Graduate School of Business

- Microengineering and Nanoelectronics
- Fuel Cell
- IR4.0
- Solar Energy
- Malaysian and International Studies
- Ethnic Studies
- Medical Molecular Biology
- Climate Change
- Environment and Development
- System Biology
- Islamic Civilization
- Malay World and Civilization

**12**
Institute

**SCAN ME !**

# 52 International Programmes

| | |
|---|---|
| 12 | Sciences and Humanities |
| 12 | Science and Technology |
| 8 | Health Sciences |
| 6 | Engineering and Built Environment |
| 5 | Islamic Studies |
| 4 | Information and Science Technology |
| 3 | Education |
| 1 | Law |
| 1 | Economics and Management |

# Research Cluster @ UKM

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# Living Labs

Langkawi Research Centre

Tasik Chini Research Centre

Fraser's Hill Research Centre

Marine Ecosystem Mersing

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IN THE TOP 150 IN THE WORLD

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QS STARS University Ratings
Overall
Teaching
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Internationalization
Facilities

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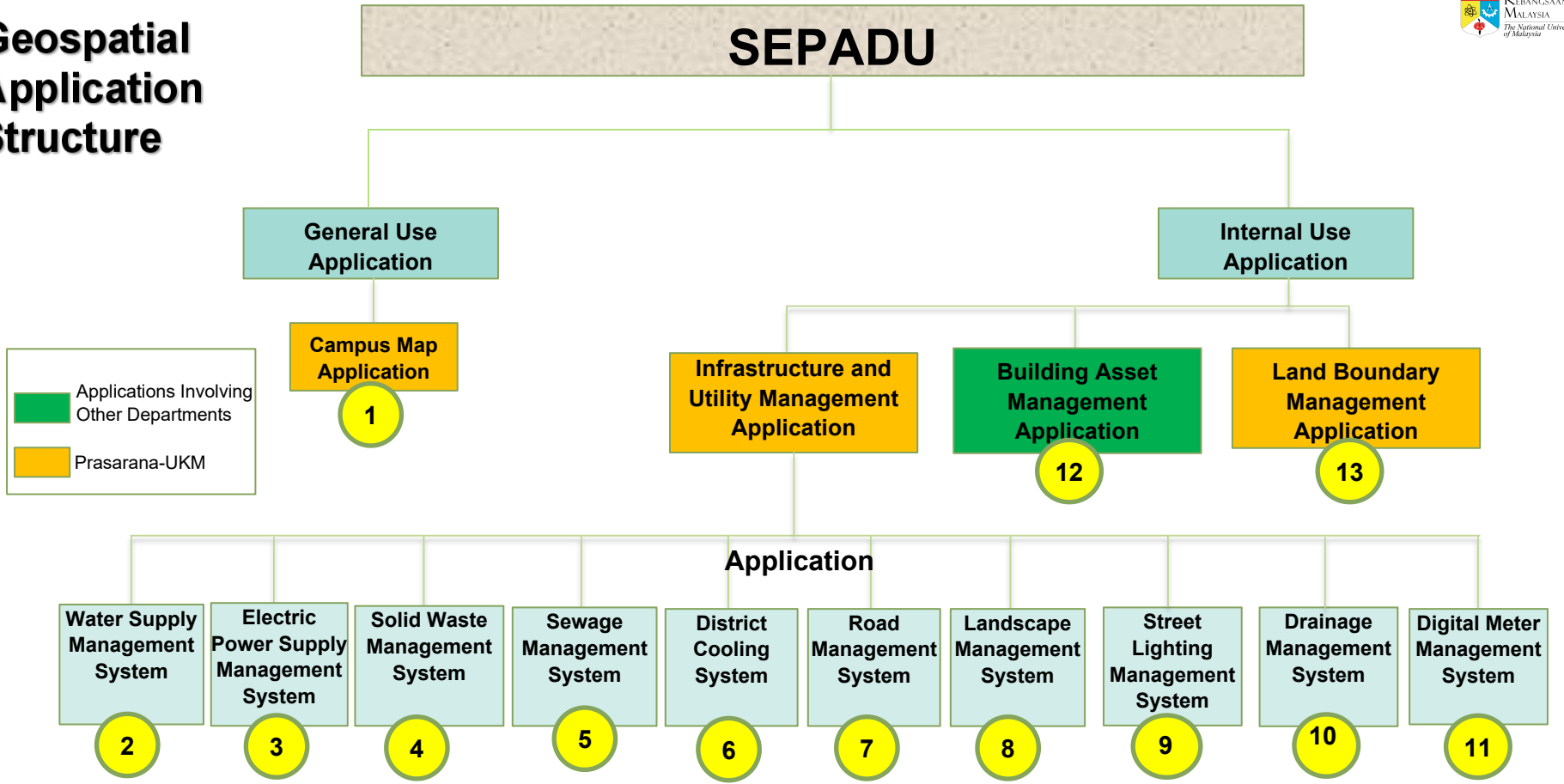
# Geospatial Application @ UKM

# Geospatial Application Structure



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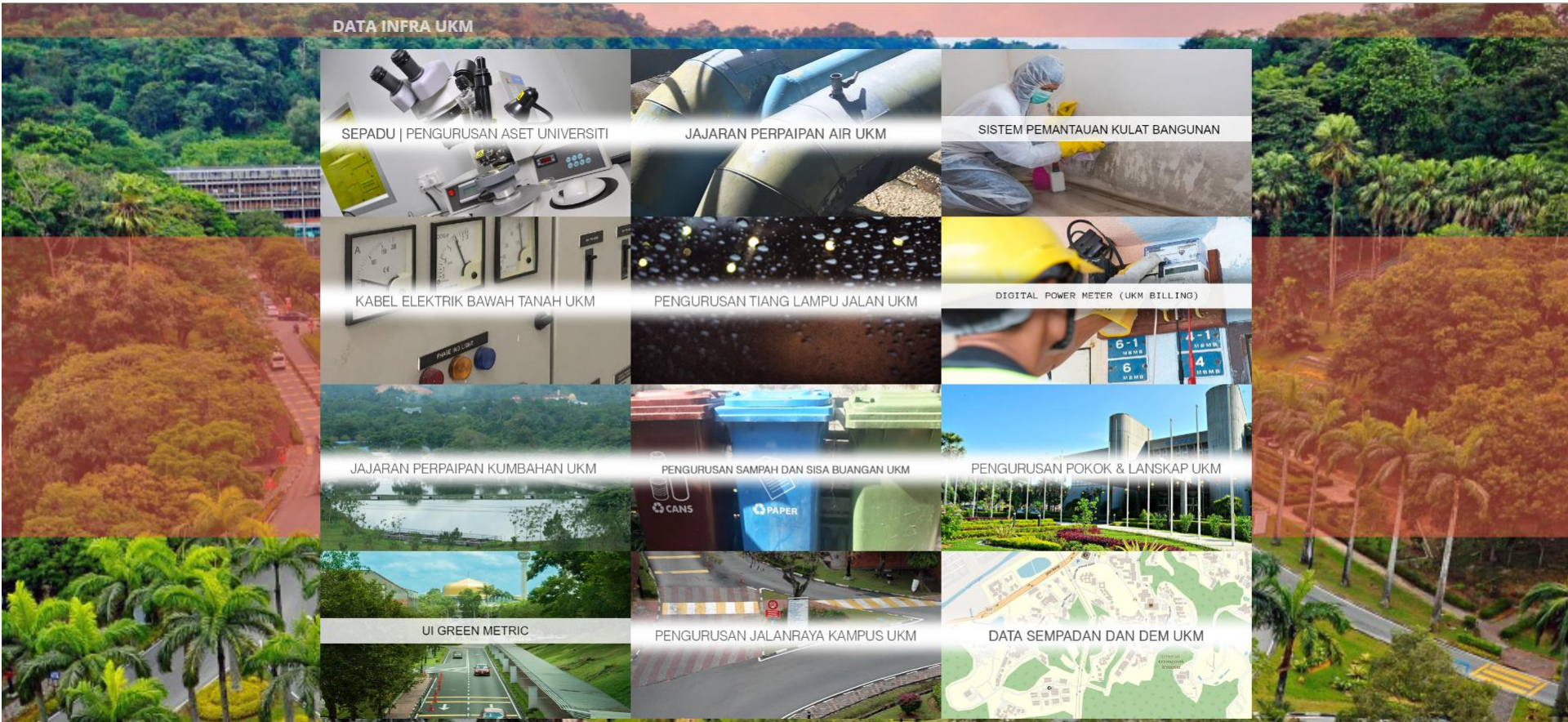
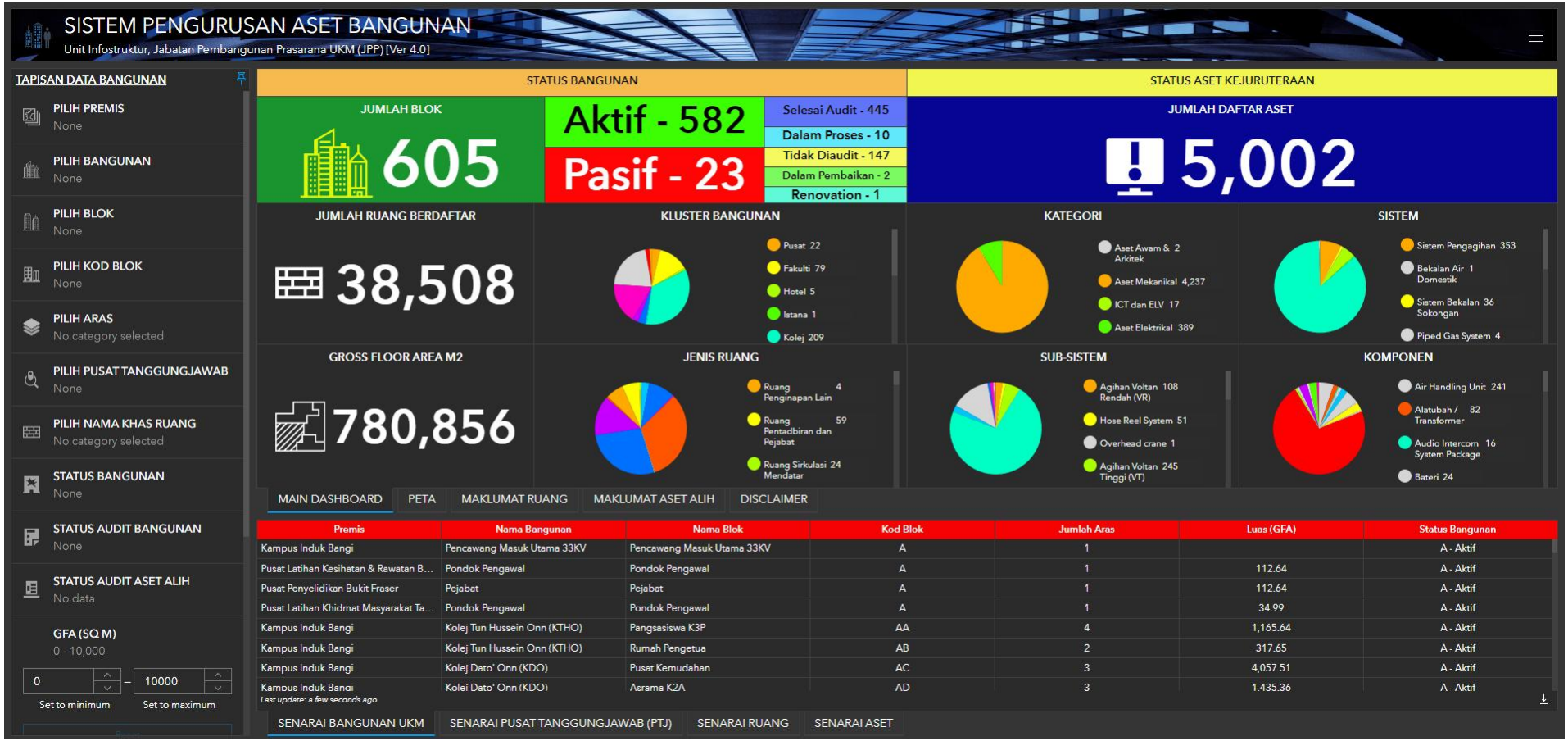


# Building Asset Management Application Ver 4.0

- ✓ **Display of basic building information at UKM such as the total number of buildings, total registered spaces, total floor area, and total assets with verified locations.**
- ✓ **Display of the location of each building at UKM (map view).**
- ✓ **Display of floor plans for each building.**
- ✓ **Display of detailed information for each selected space, including information on engineering assets within the space.**
- ✓ **Display of detailed information for each asset, such as category, system, sub-system, and component.**
- ✓ **Filtering of desired spaces, for example:**
  - ❖ **Total number of meeting rooms at UKM**
  - ❖ **Total number of disabled-friendly (OKU) toilets at UKM**
  - ❖ **Filter of total assets in the Chancellery building**

# ASSET STATUS FOR UKM



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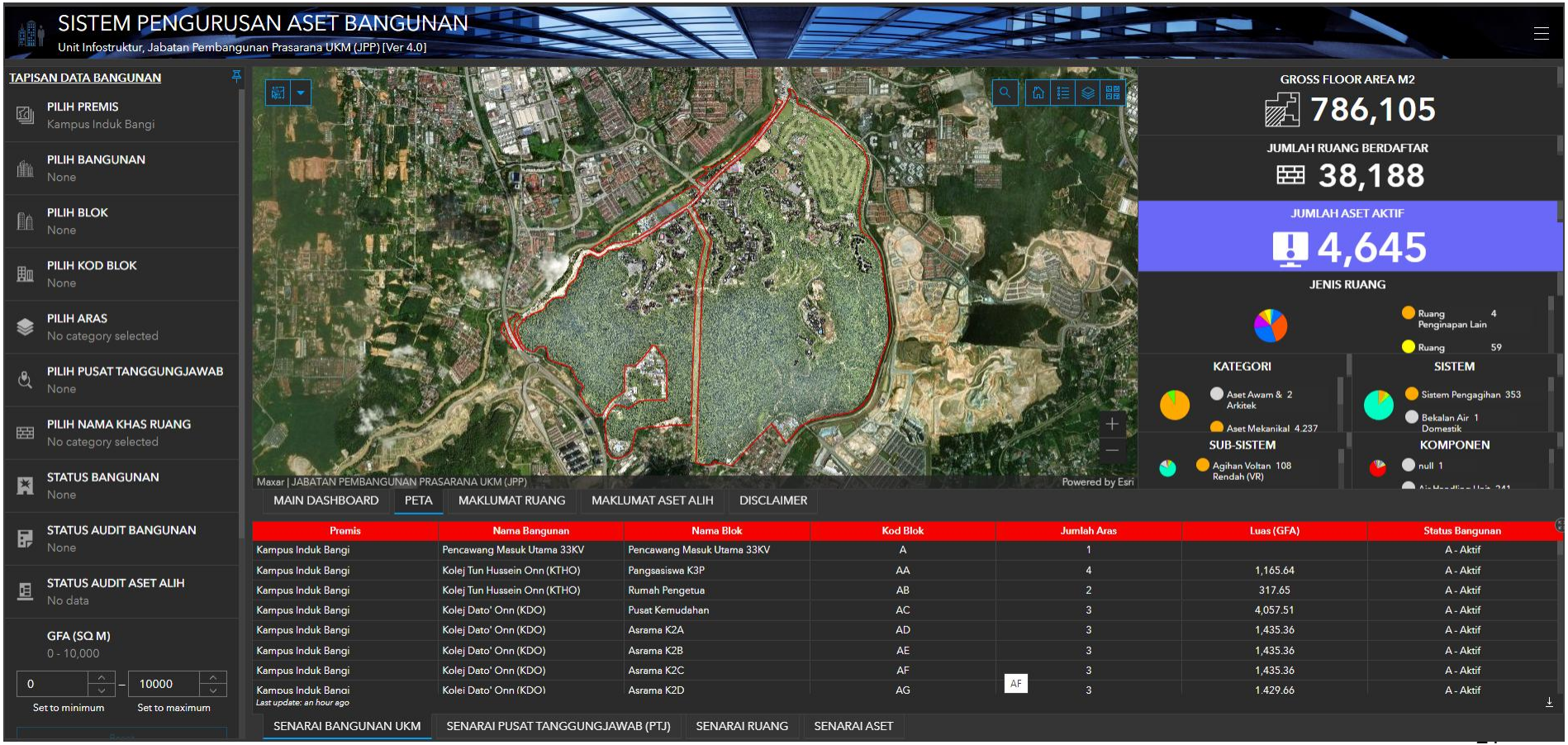

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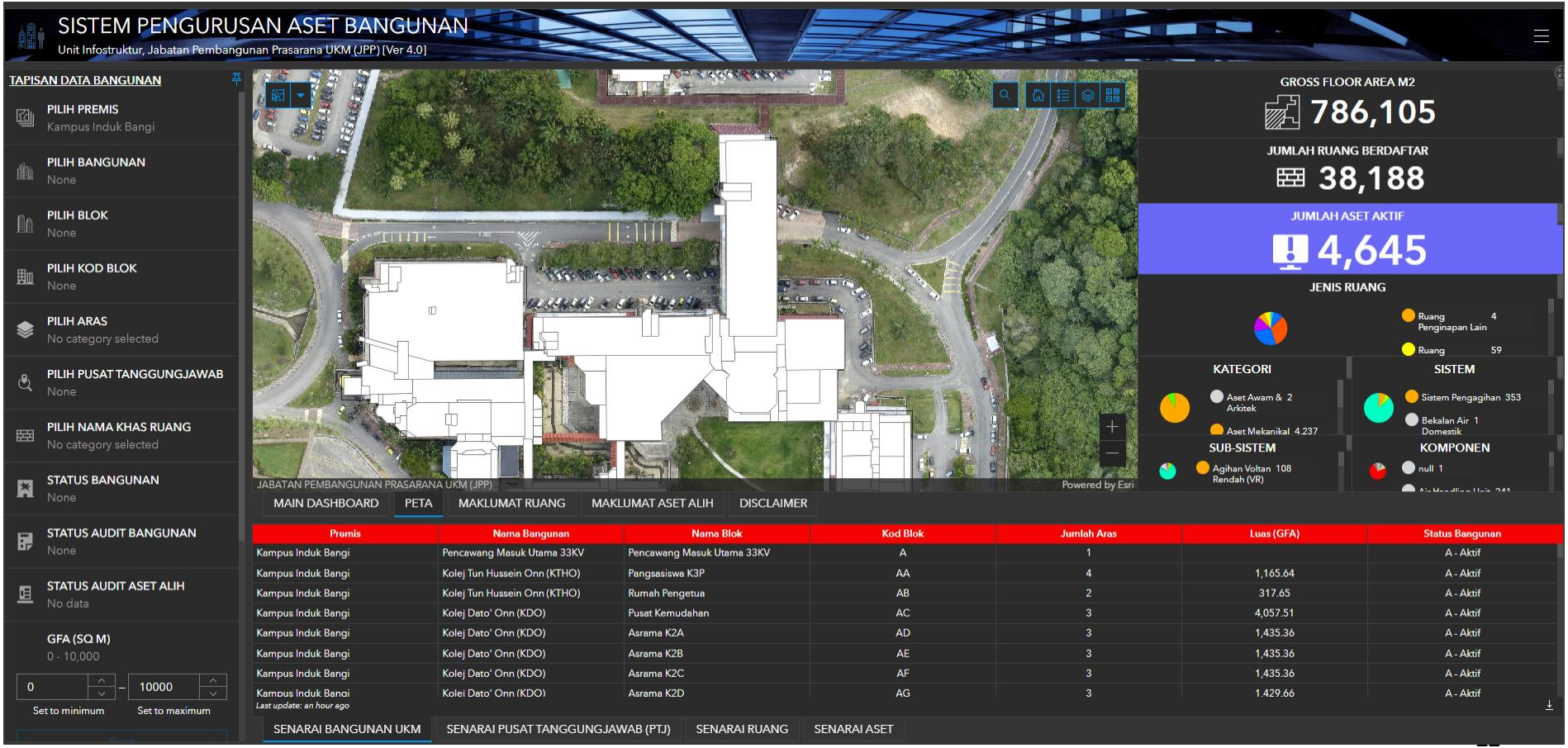

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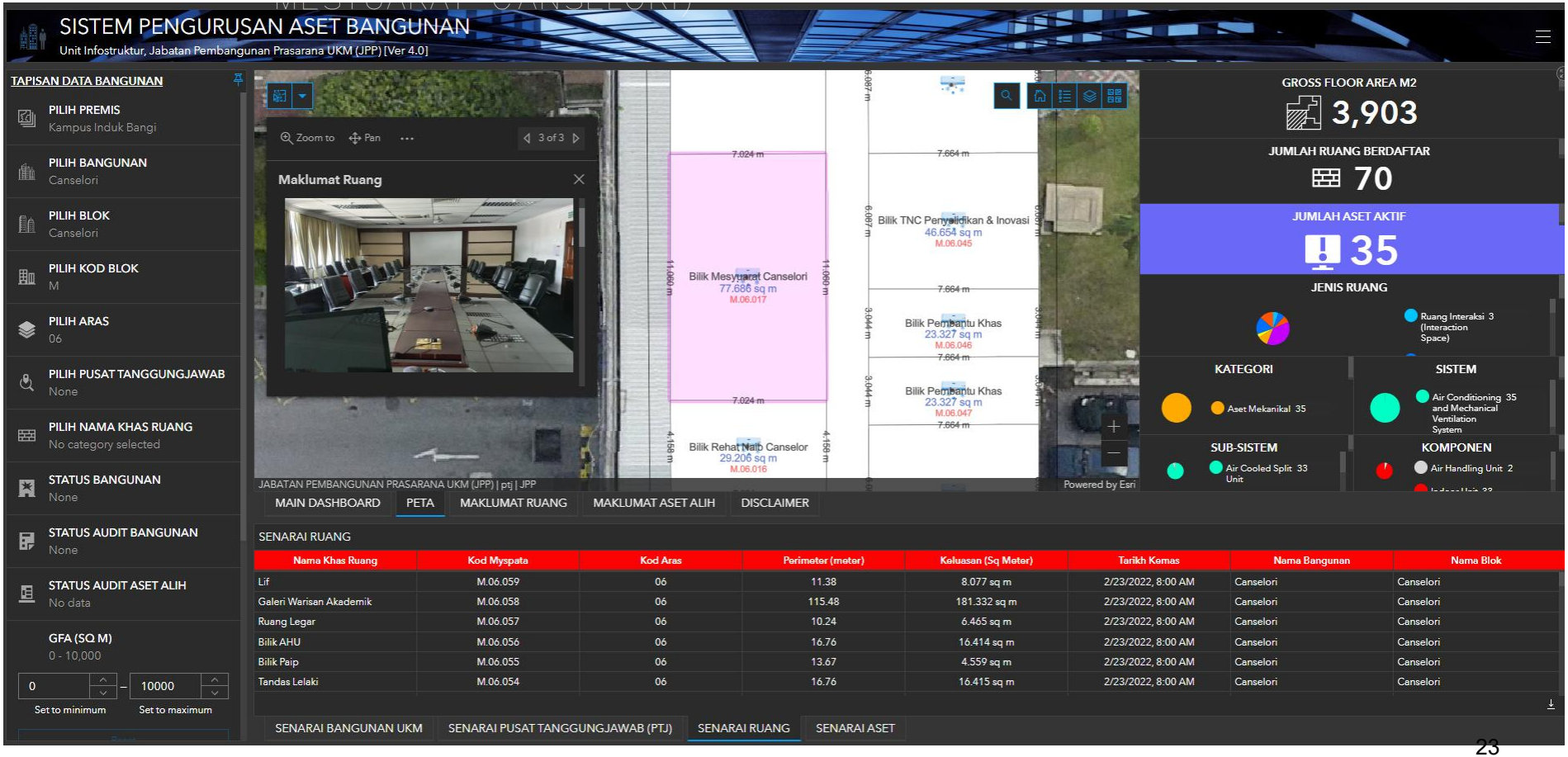


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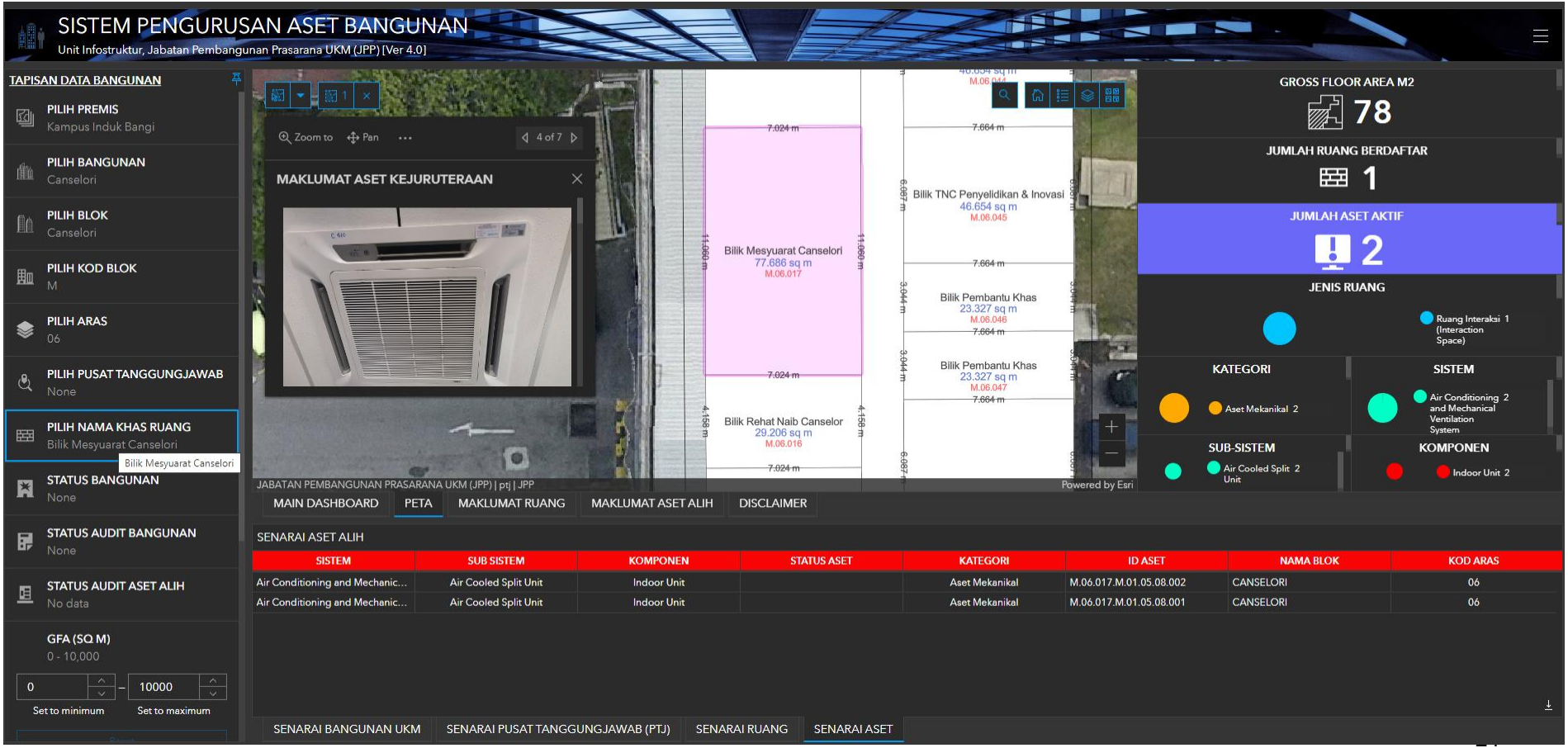

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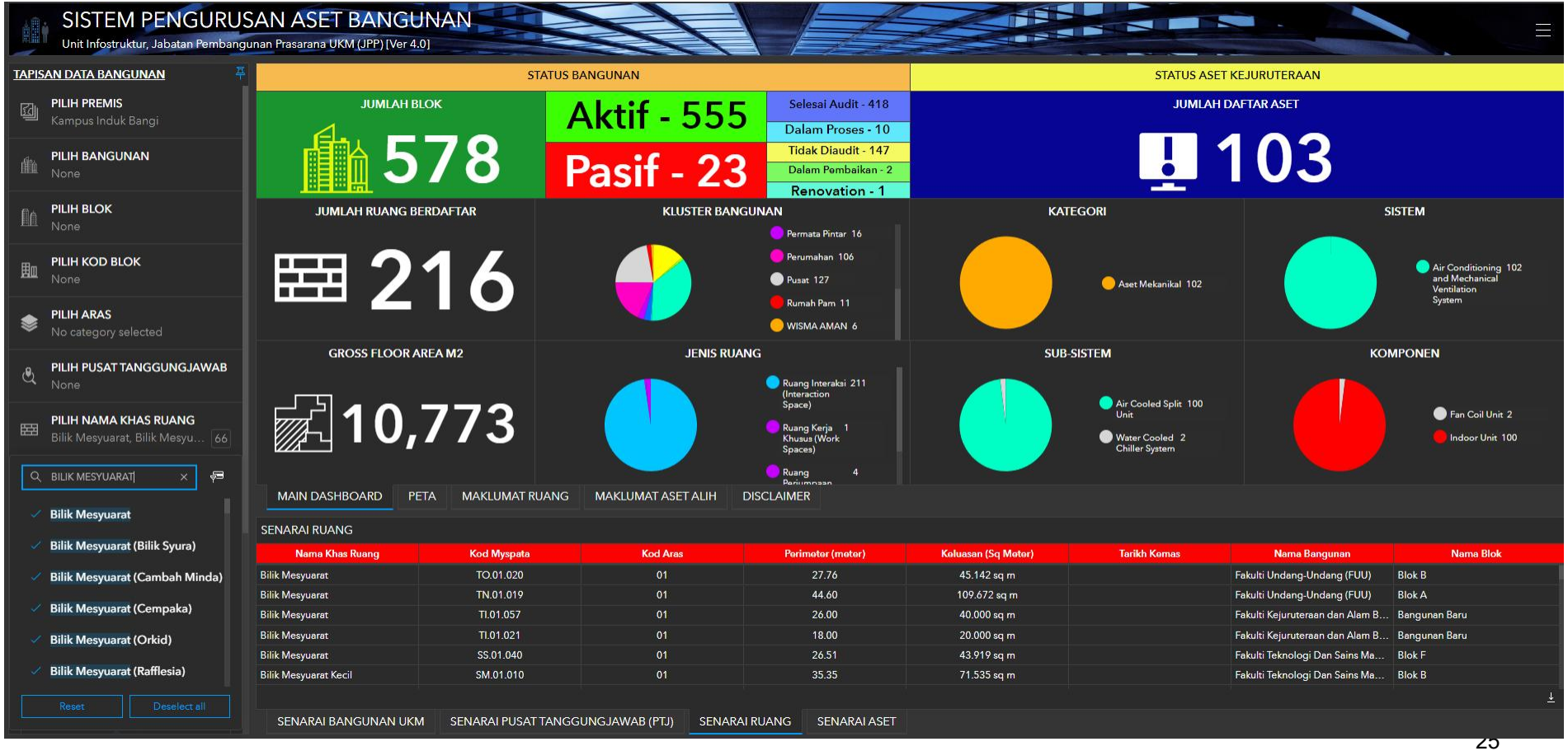
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PILIH ARAS
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SUB-SISTEM
Air Cooled Split Unit 100
Water Cooled Chiller System 2
KOMPONEN
Fan Coil Unit 2
Indoor Unit 100
MAIN DASHBOARD
PETA
MAKLUMAT RUANG
MAKLUMAT ASET ALIH
DISCLAIMER
SENARAI RUANG
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SENARAI BANGUNAN UKM
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SENARAI RUANG
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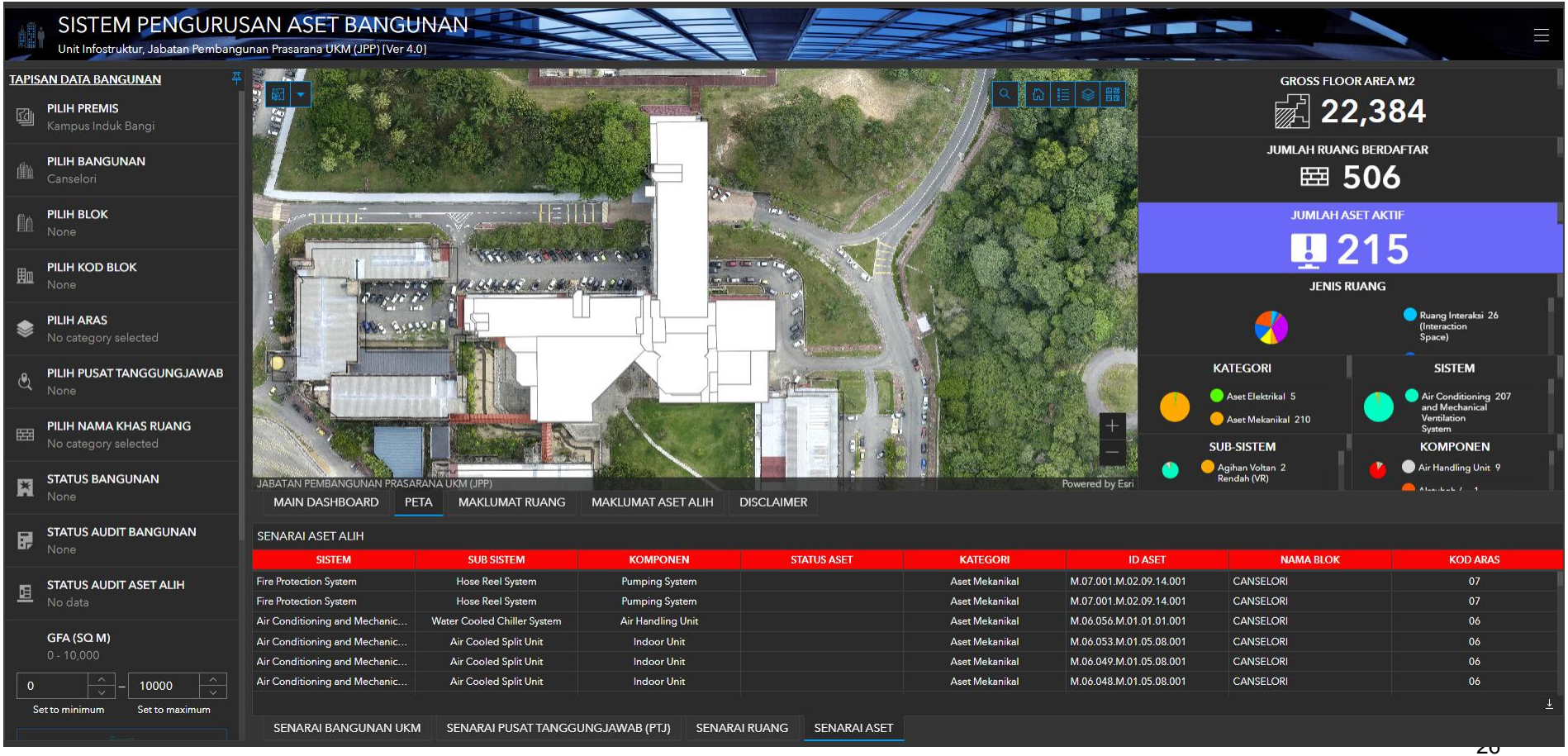

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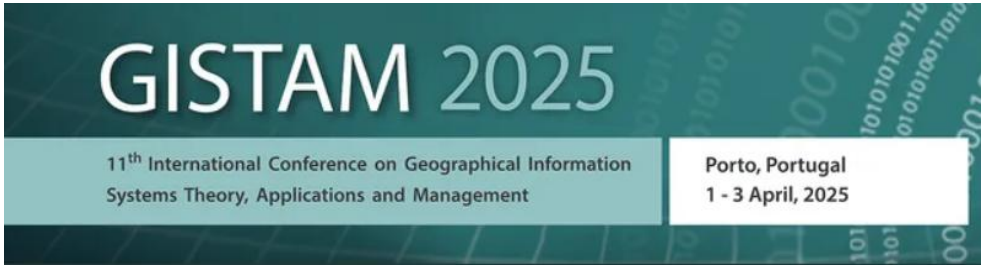
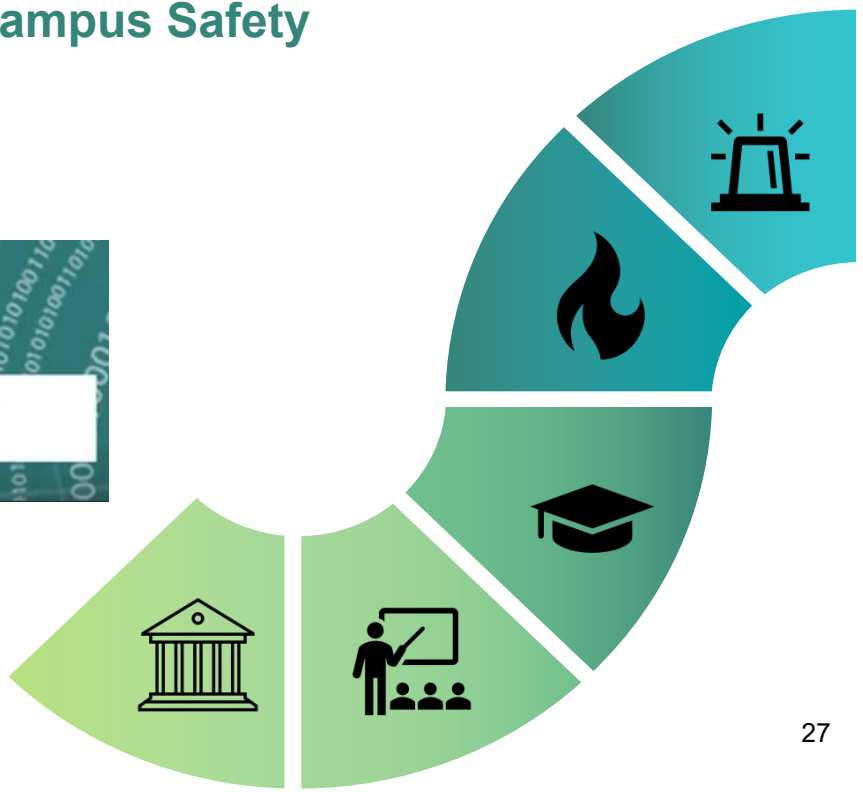


# 1 - PROBLEM STATEMENT

**WHY**

Hazardous incidents on campus grounds

- MOHE, 2021 reports - 589 hazardous incidents
- Primary limitations of the traditional fire alarm system

**WHY**

Capabilities and limitations of the existing and conventional fire alarm systems

**WHAT?**

Contributing factor led to fire incidents on campus

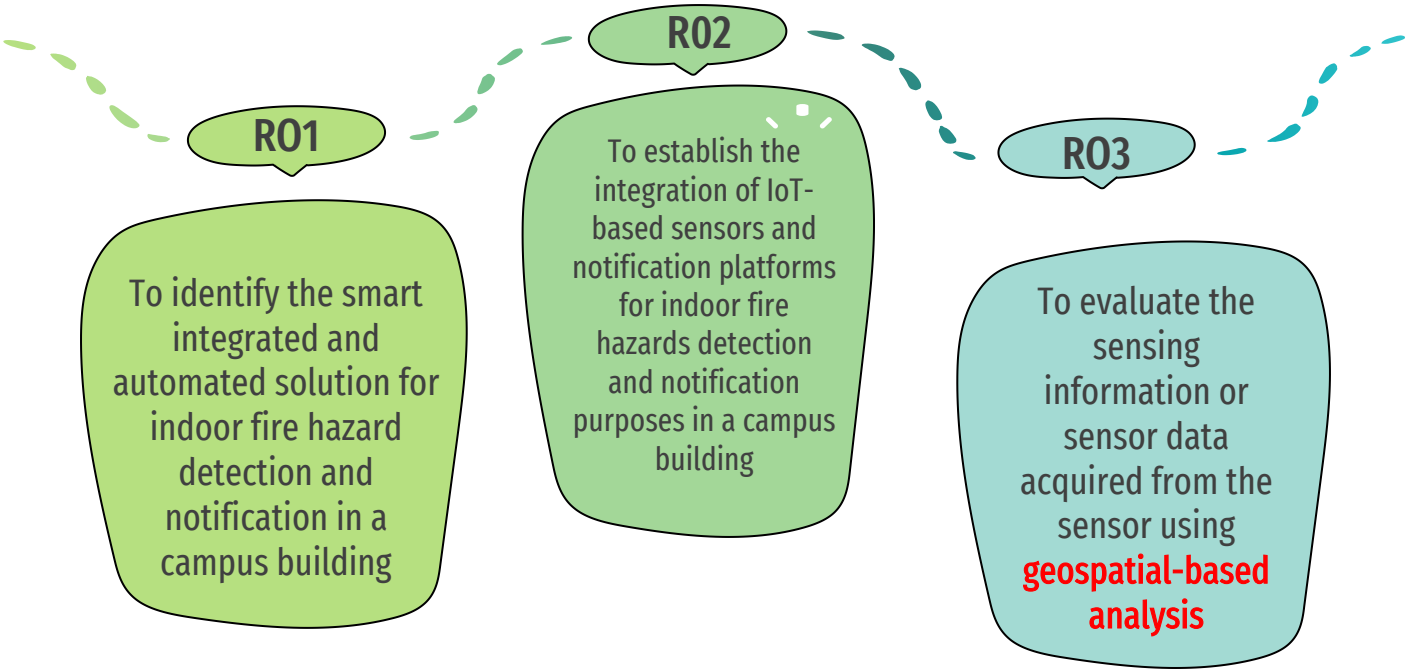
**HOW**

Proposed solutions and expanding the idea

**WHAT?**

Current fire safety efforts in Malaysia's campus buildings and smart campus elements related to fire safety

# 2 - RESEARCH OBJECTIVES



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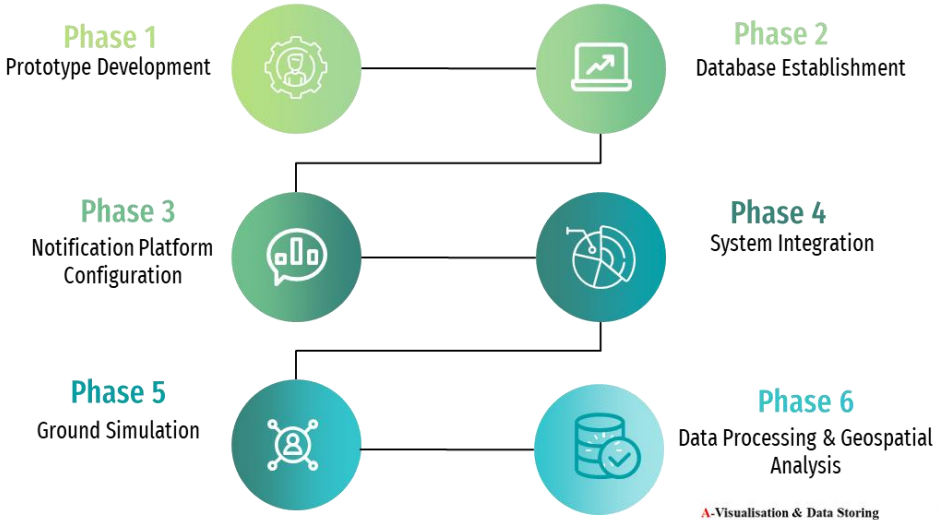
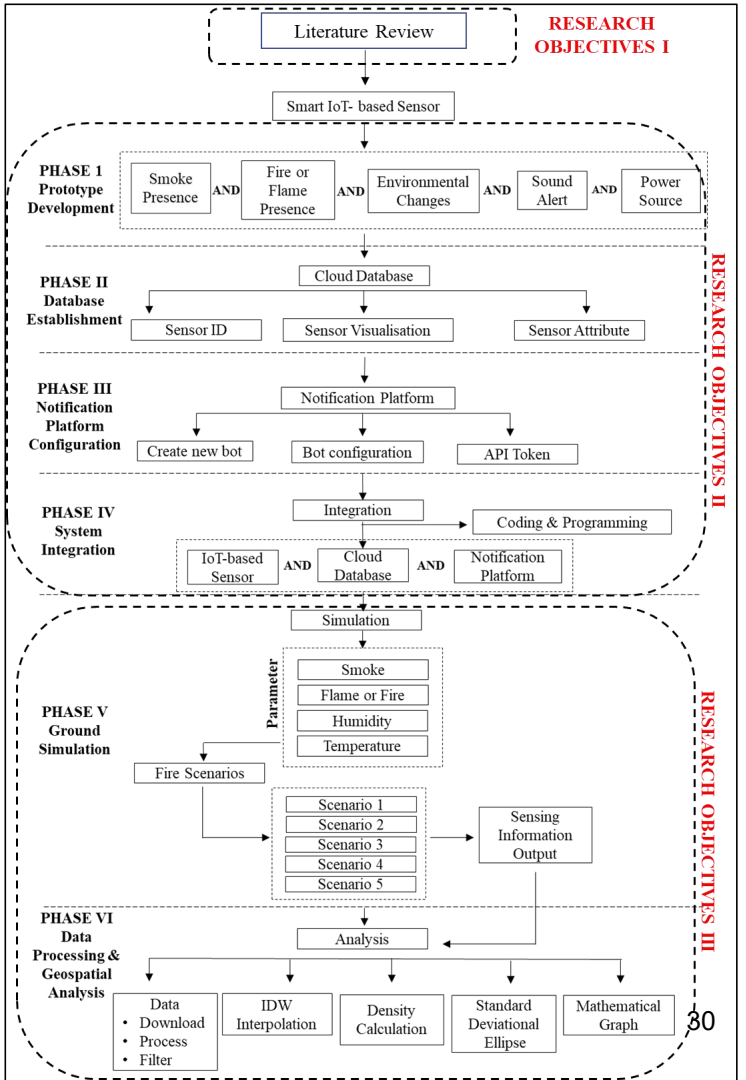


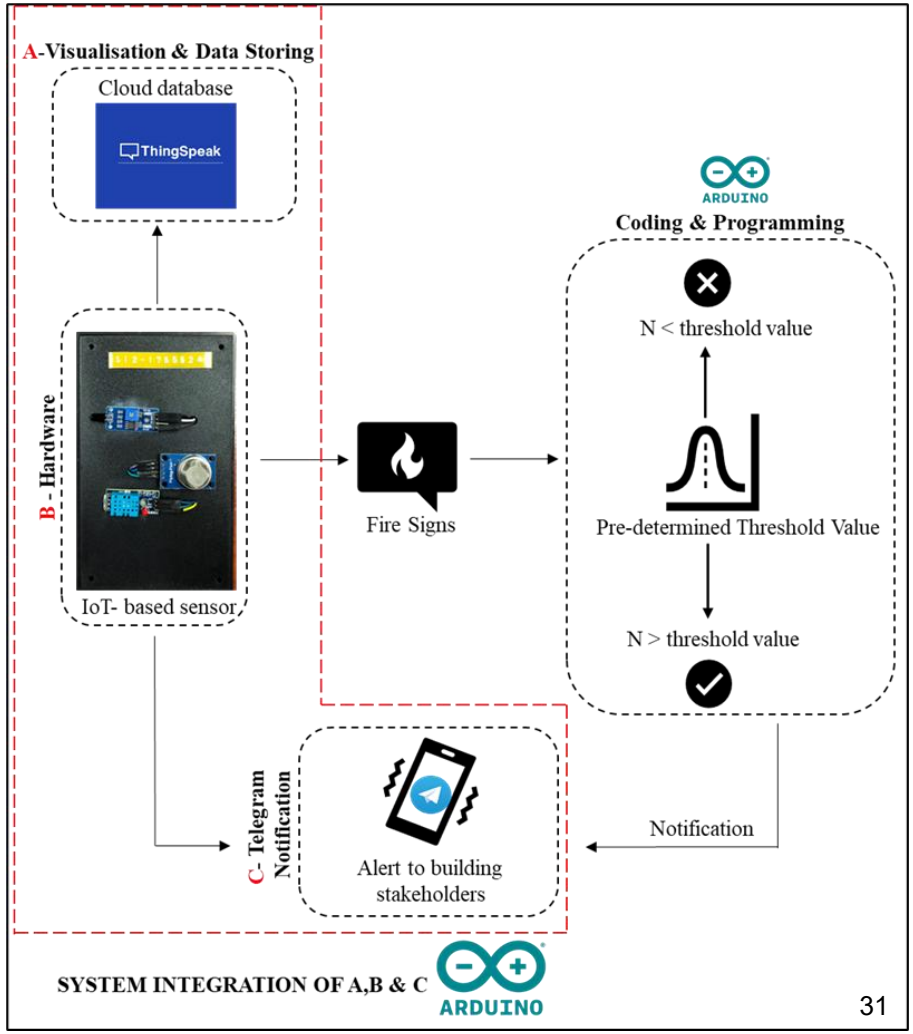


# 4 – FINDINGS

Research Findings for **RO 1 =** Proposed system architecture

Literature Review

**RESEARCH OBJECTIVES I**



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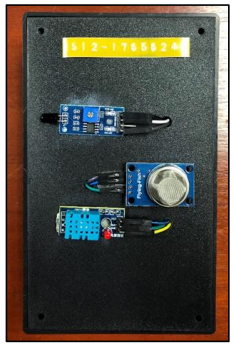

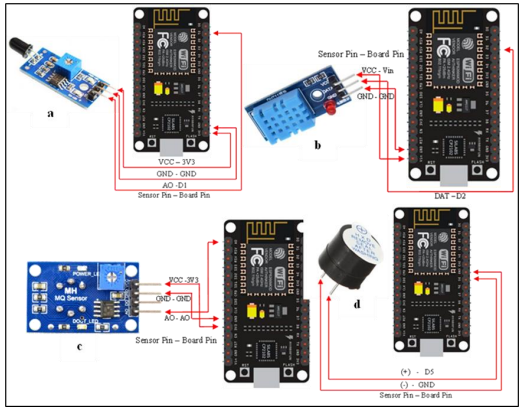


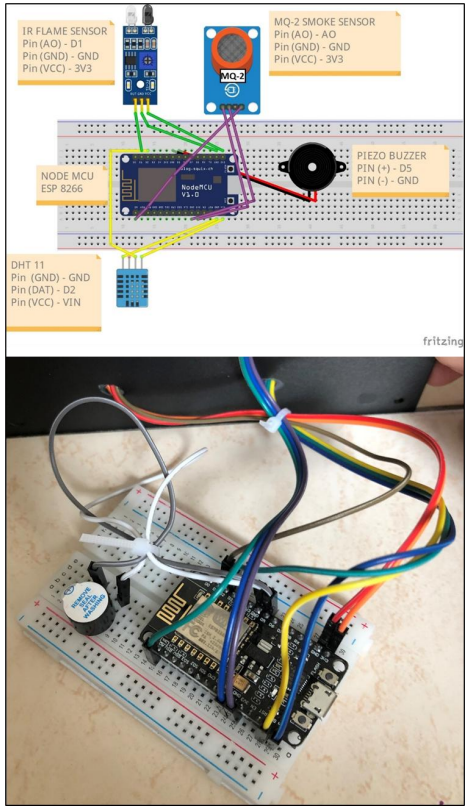


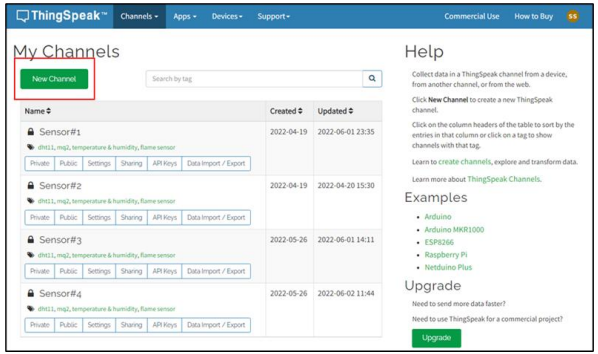

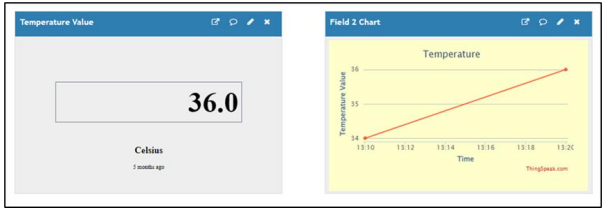


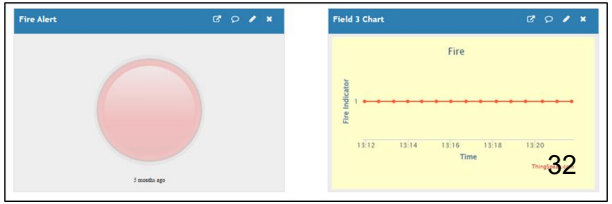

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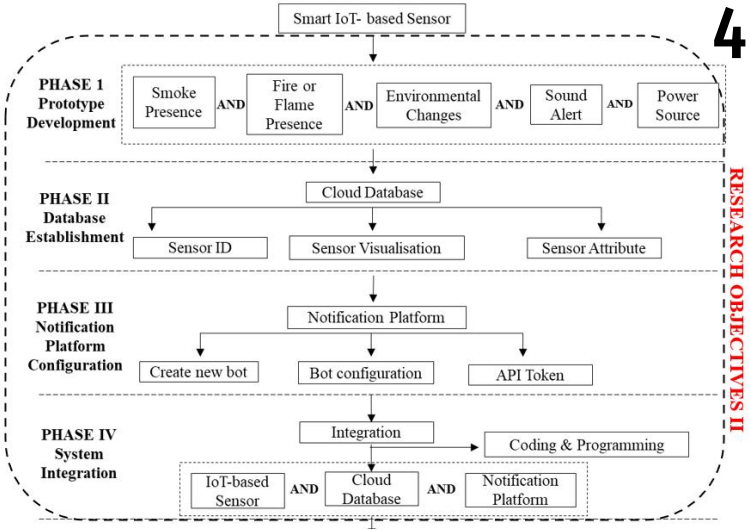


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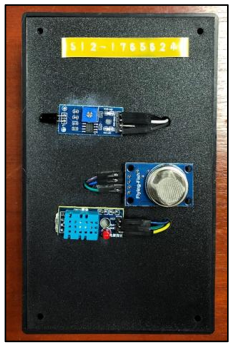

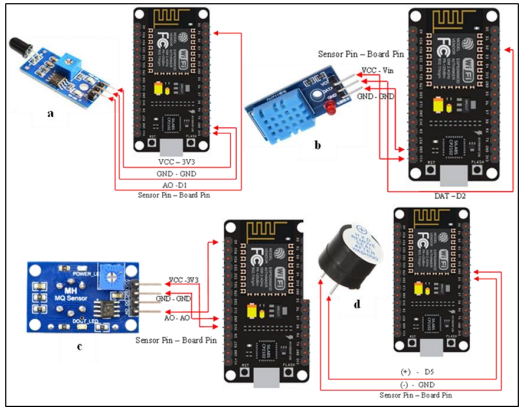


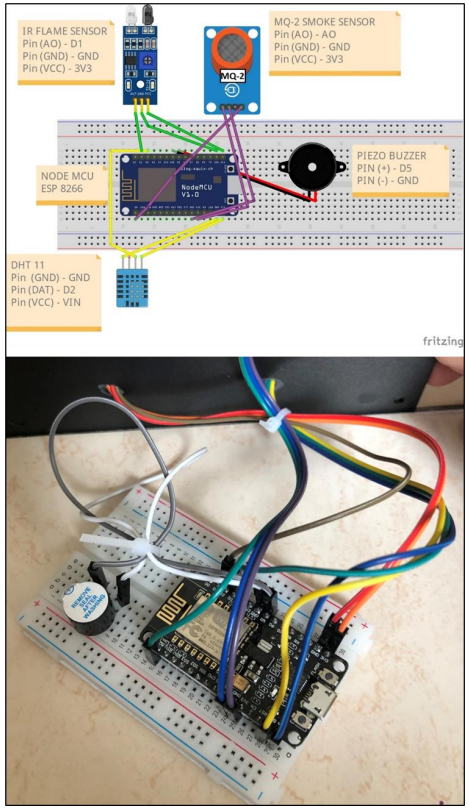


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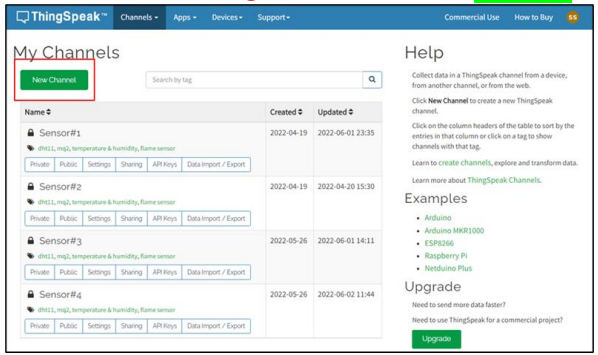

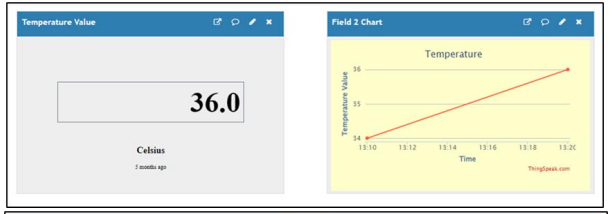


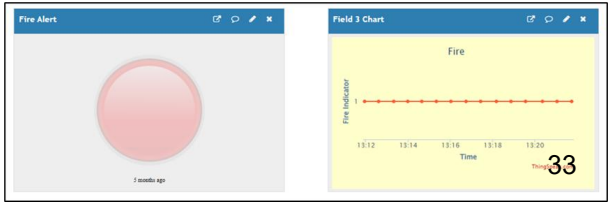

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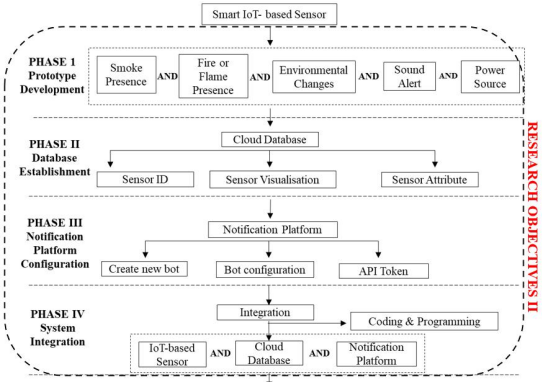


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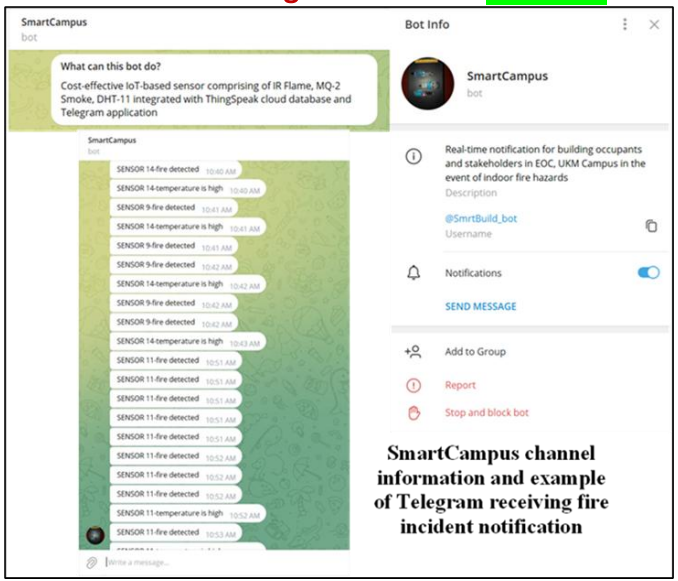


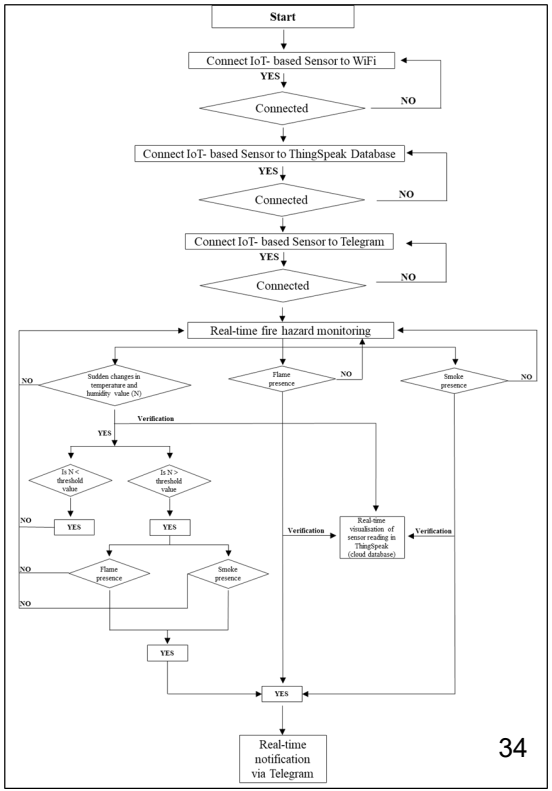

| Parameter | Value |
|---|---|
| Board | ESP8266 |
| ThingSpeak | Channel ID:<br>1708204 (example)<br>Write API:<br>U1L2AWQKDY0LC6FT (example)<br>setField (1,h)<br>setField (2,t)<br>setField (3, fire)<br>setField (4, smoke) |
| Telegram | Bot Token API:<br>5366197445:AAHX_OowhQ_xPovNr6cn8QPxwA8MHInMIYk<br>User/Chat ID:<br>1438847129 |
| Temperature/Humidity | h: 59<br>t: 29<br>t > 35 (threshold alert) |
| Smoke | >400 (threshold alert) |
| Fire | 0 (threshold alert) |

**ARDUINO CODING**

```
#ifdef ESP32
#include <WiFi.h>
#else
#include <ESP8266WiFi.h>
#endif
#include <WiFiClientSecure.h>
#include <UniversalTelegramBot.h>
#include <ArduinoJson.h>
#include "secrets.h"
#include "ThingSpeak.h" // always include thingspeak header file after
other header files and custom macros
#include "DHT.h"
char ssid[] = SECRET_SSID;   // your network SSID (name)
char pass[] = SECRET_PASS;   // your network password
int keyIndex = 0;            // your network key Index number (needed only
for WEP)

unsigned long myChannelNumber = SECRET_CH_ID;
const char * myWriteAPIKey = SECRET_WRITE_APIKEY;
#define BOTtoken "5366197445:AAHX_OowhQ_xPovNr6cn8QPxwA8MHInMIYk"  //
replace this with your bot token
#define CHAT_ID "1438847129"  //replace with your telegram user ID
#define REPORTING_PERIOD_MS     40000
#define REPORTING_PERIOD    1000
uint32_t tsLastReport = 0;
uint32_t tsLast = 0;
#define DHTPIN 4
#define DHTTYPE DHT11
int buzzer = 14;
int flame = 5;
int gas = A0;
String F = "";
String S = "";
float h;
float t;
int smoke;
int fire;
int consmoke = 0;
int confire = 0;
```

## Research Findings for RO 2 = Phase IV



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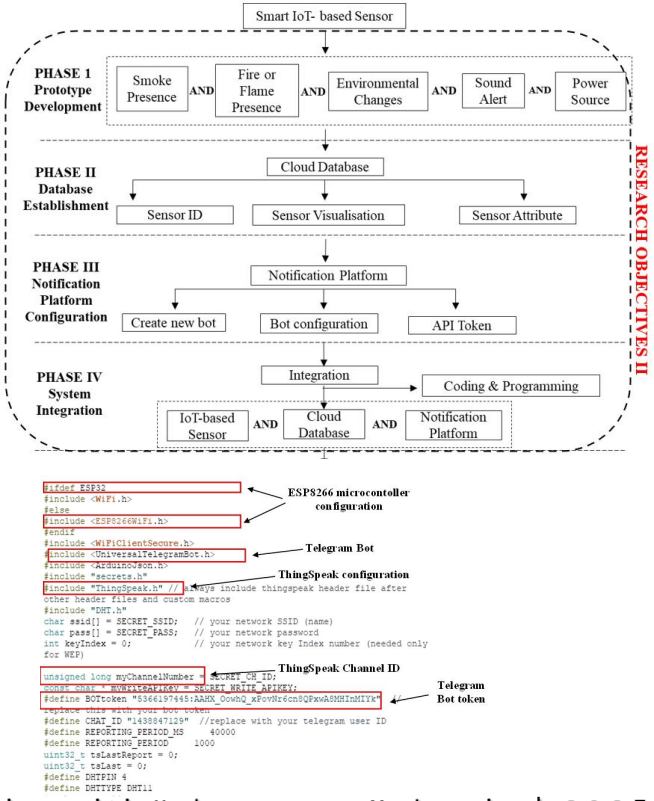


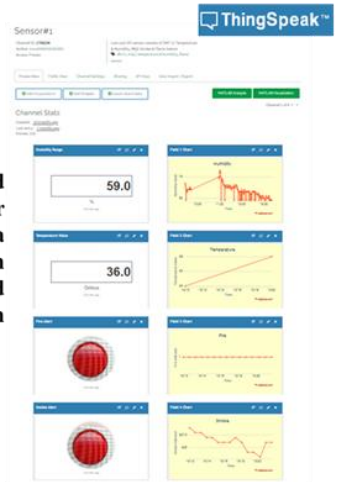

REAL - TIME

Ground Simulation (fire and smoke incident)

Telegram

Incident alert notification to building stakeholders

Dashboard for sensor data aggregation and visualisation



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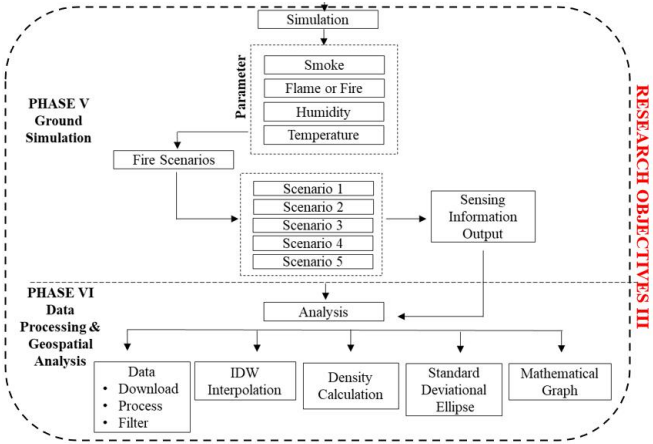
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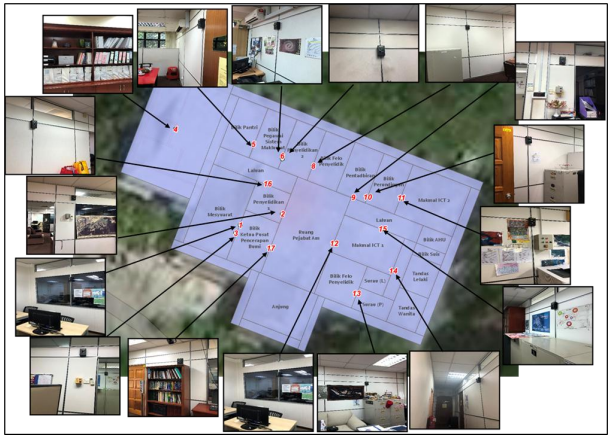

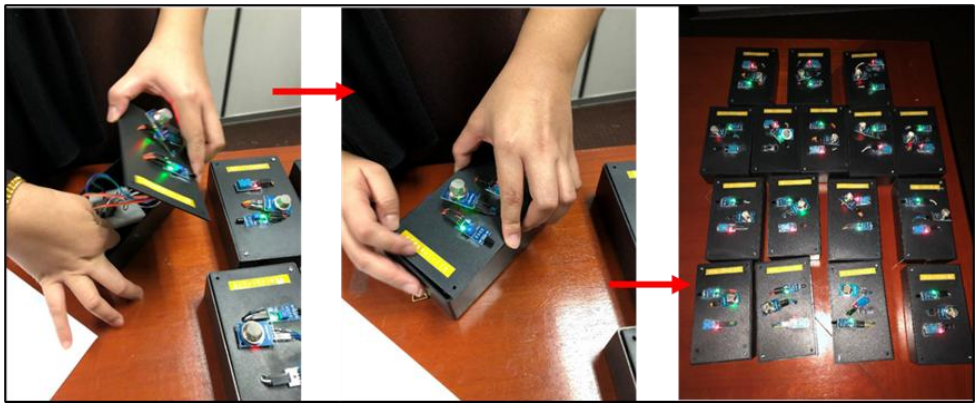

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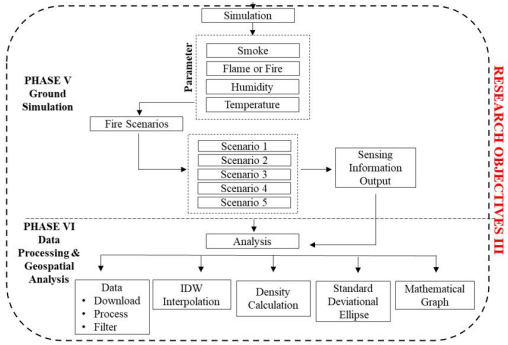


**5** types of Simulation

| Sensor ID | Location | Room Number |
|---|---|---|
| S1_ 1708204 | Bilik Timbalan Pengarah | 017 |
| S2_ 1708213 | Felo Kanan | 018 |
| S3_ 1748092 | Bilik Mesyuarat | 020 |
| S4_1748095 | Ruang Pejabat Am | 021 |
| S5_1756083 | Bilik Pantri | 026 |
| S6_ 1756090 | Bilik Teknologi Maklumat | 027 |
| S7_1756602 | Bilik Mesyuarat | 028 |
| S8_1756603 | Bilik Felo Penyelidik | 029 |
| S9_1761318 | Bilik Pentadbiran | 031 |
| S10_1765620 | Bilik Setiausaha Pejabat | 032 |
| S11_1765623 | Makmal ICT 2 | 033 |
| S12_1765624 | Makmal ICT 1 | 015 |
| S13_1768132 | Bilik Felo Penyelidik | 013 |
| S14_1768135 | Ruang Laluan berhampiran Bilik AHU, Surau, Tandas | 014 |
| S15_1768136 | Laluan | 030 |
| S16_1768137 | Laluan | 019 |
| S17_1771864 | Ruang Pejabat Am | 014 |

| Ground Simulation | Probability Source of Fire and Smoke Ignition | Explanation | Time |
|---|---|---|---|
| Simulation 1 | AHU or Switch Room #Sensor S14_1768135 | The central air conditioning system relies on the air handling unit (AHU) as its central component. At the same time, the switch room houses a collection of electrical equipment responsible for managing and safeguarding electrical circuits. Due to the nature of the room and the presence of electrical items, the likelihood of a fire starting in this room is higher. | 10:29am to 11:01am |
| Simulation 2 | Bilik Pentadbiran #Sensor S9_1761318 | Typically, Bilik Pentadbiran is used for managing many documents and storing many paper-based products. Consequently, the risk of fire spreading rapidly is heightened due to combustible materials in the room. | 11:00am to 11:30am |
| Simulation 3 | Makmal ICT 1 #Sensor S12_1765624 | The Makmal ICT is designed to provide students with easy access to computers, with numerous sets available to accommodate a sizable number of students. However, as computers are electrical devices, fire incidents are at risk. Moreover, the cables and other ICT peripherals used in the lab are made of combustible materials, further increasing the likelihood of fire incidents. | 11:31am to 12:00am |
| Simulation 4 | Bilik Pantri #Sensor S5_1756083 | Bilik Pantri serves as a designated area for staff and students to have their meals, similar to a kitchen. It is equipped with basic cooking utensils and includes electrical appliances like refrigerators. As with any electrical device, the presence of these appliances in the room increases the risk of fire hazards due to their combustible materials. | 12:01 noon to 12:30 noon |
| Simulation 5 | Ruang Pejabat Am #Sensor S4_1748095 | Ruang Pejabat Am is a new extension to the existing building, originally constructed with a smaller size and capacity. As a result, providing additional space or area to the building requires more electrical power sources. Although the extra power source might have been meticulously calculated and considered sufficient for the entire building's usage, the probability of a power trip due to an insufficient power supply could pose a fire hazard and increase the fire risk. | 12:30 noon to 1.00pm |

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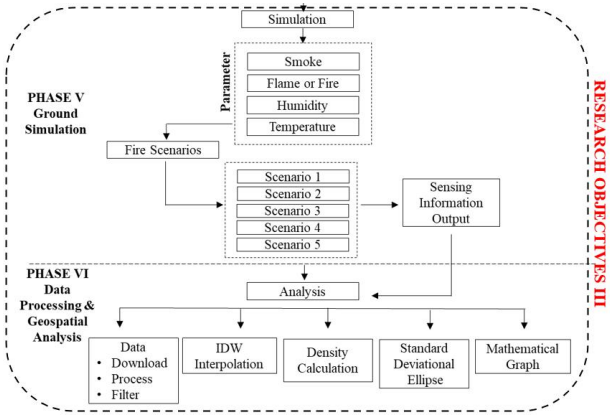
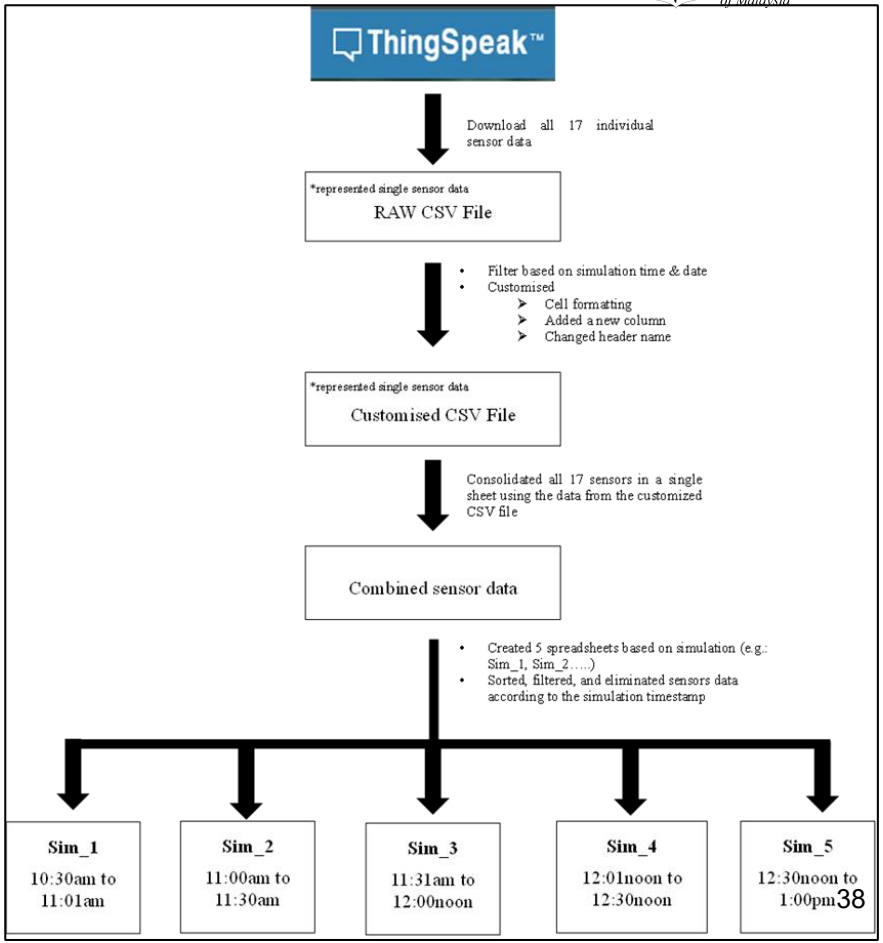



## Geospatial Data Analysis

| Projects | Type of analysis | Data | Data Naming Convention |
|---|---|---|---|
| Simulation01<br>Simulation02<br>Simulation03<br>Simulation04<br>Simulation05 | IDW Interpolation<br>Density Estimation<br>SDE<br>Mathematical Graph | Customised CSV File<br>Standalone Tables in ArcGIS<br>IPI Building Footprint<br>IPI Building Border<br>Sensor Location | Table: Simulation_01 & Sensor_Location<br>IPI.shp<br>IPI_Mask.shp<br>Sensor_Location.shp |

## Data Processing Flow



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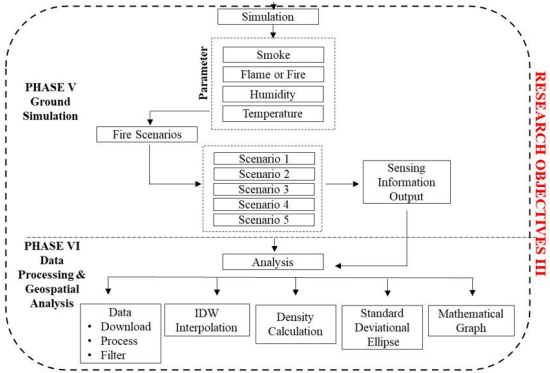


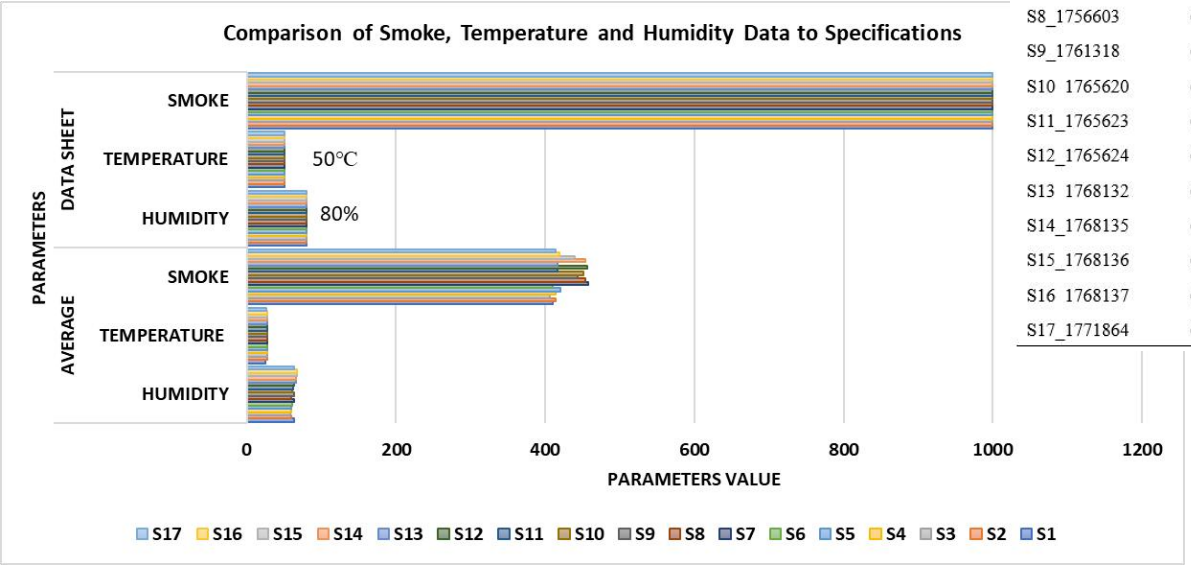


| Sensor | Average | | | Flame /Buzzer | Data Sheet Specification | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Humidity (%) | Temperature (°C) | Smoke (ppm) | | Humidity (%) | Temperature (°C) | Smoke (ppm) |
| S1 1708204 | 64 | 25 | 410 | | | | |
| S2_ 1708213 | 60 | 27 | 414 | | | | |
| S3_ 1748092 | 58 | 28 | 406 | | | | |
| S4 1748095 | 59 | 27 | 414 | | | | |
| S5_1756083 | 60 | 27 | 420 | | | | |
| S6_ 1756090 | 61 | 27 | 410 | | | | |
| S7 1756602 | 64 | 28 | 458 | | | | |
| S8_1756603 | 60 | 28 | 454 | | | | |
| S9_1761318 | 64 | 27 | 444 | Yes | 20-80% /±5% | 0-50℃/ ± 2℃ | 300 – 10,000 ppm |
| S10 1765620 | 61 | 28 | 451 | | | | |
| S11_1765623 | 62 | 27 | 416 | | | | |
| S12_1765624 | 64 | 27 | 457 | | | | |
| S13 1768132 | 66 | 27 | 417 | | | | |
| S14_1768135 | 66 | 27 | 454 | | | | |
| S15_1768136 | 67 | 27 | 4401 | | | | |
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| S17_1771864 | 64 | 26 | 414 | | | | |

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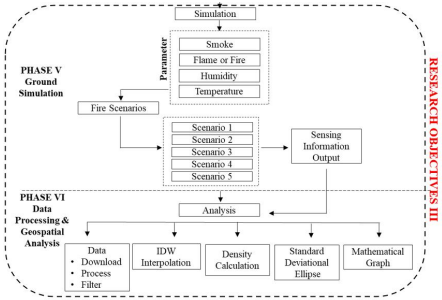


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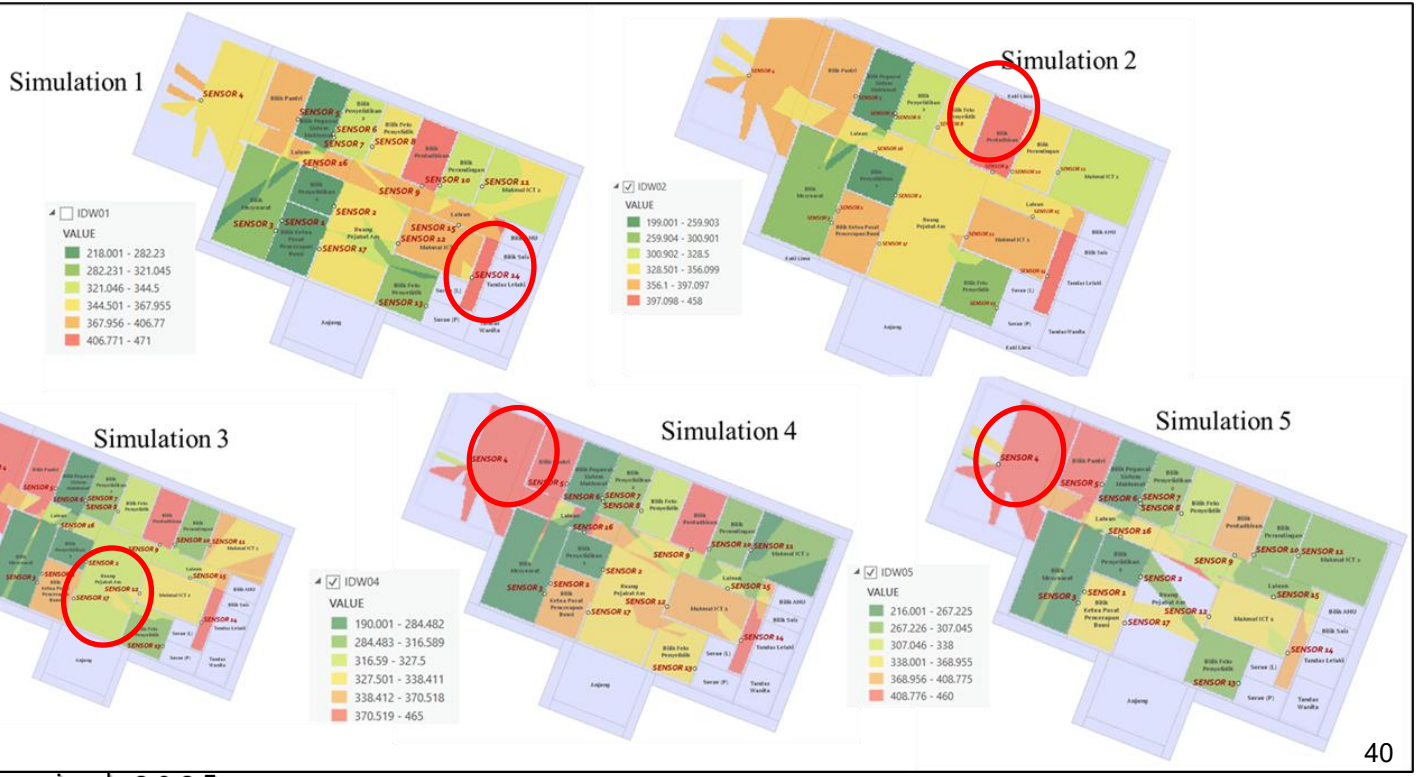

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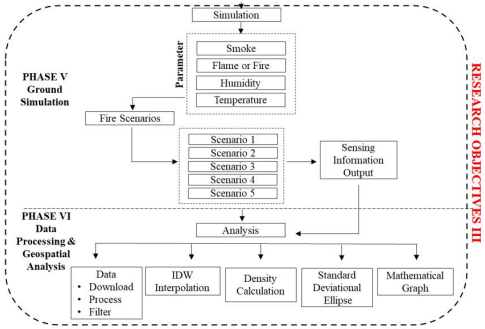
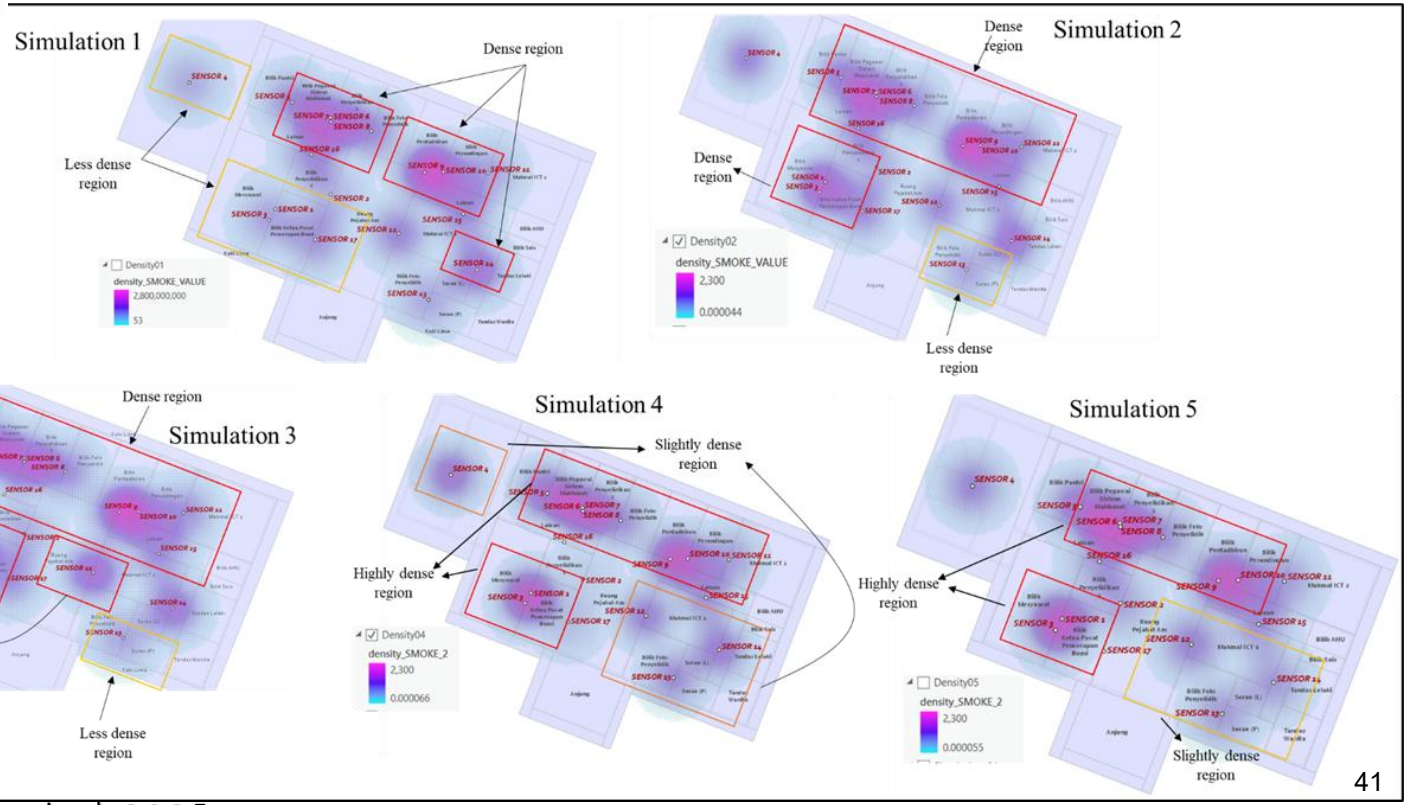
## Spatial assessment for determining sensor density



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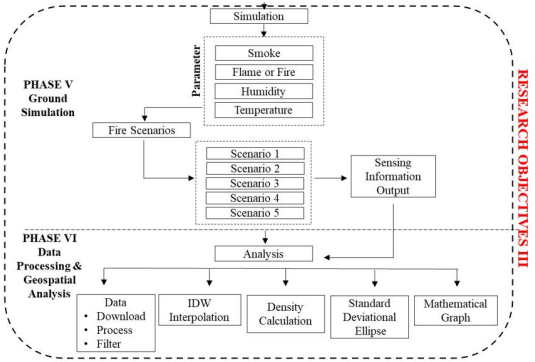
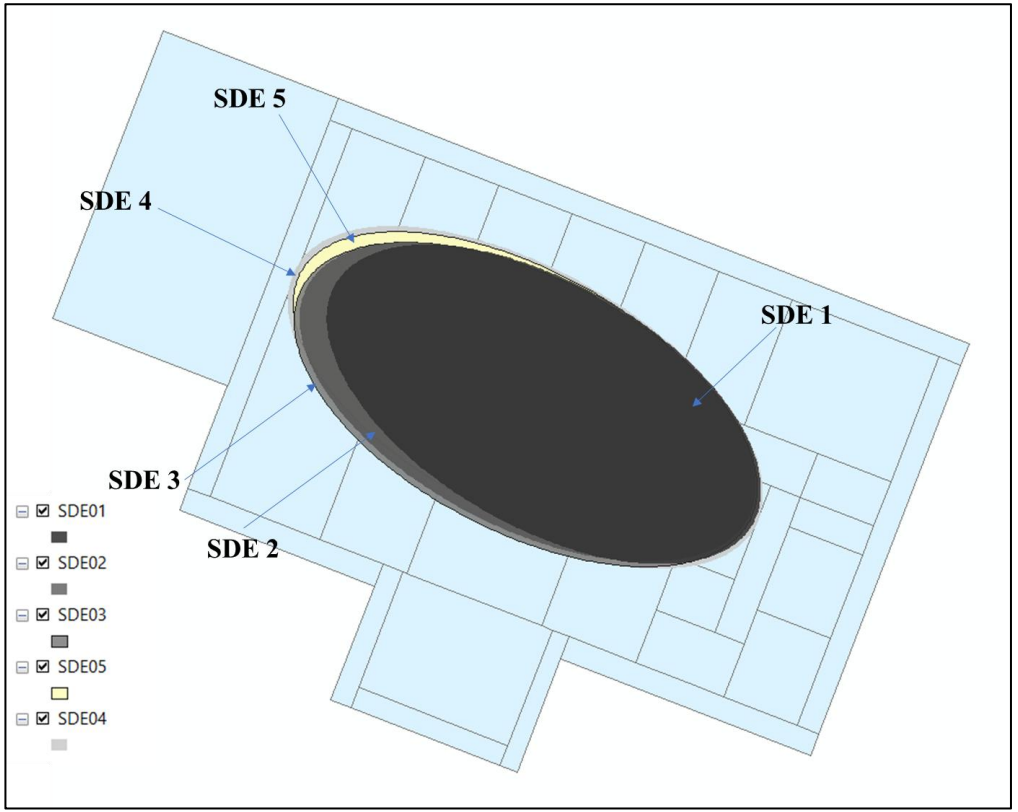



| Simulation | x-axis (m) | y-axis (m) | Rotational Angle (°) |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 0.000086 | 0.000043 | 119.9 |
| 2 | 0.000089 | 0.000044 | 117.5 |
| 3 | 0.00009 | 0.000045 | 117.4 |
| 4 | 0.000094 | 0.000046 | 119.6 |
| 5 | 0.000089 | 0.000043 | 118.2 |

Sensor directional pattern using Standard Deviational Ellipse (SDE) analysis




SDE: measuring the trend for a set of points or areas to calculate the standard distance separately in the x-, y- and z-directions

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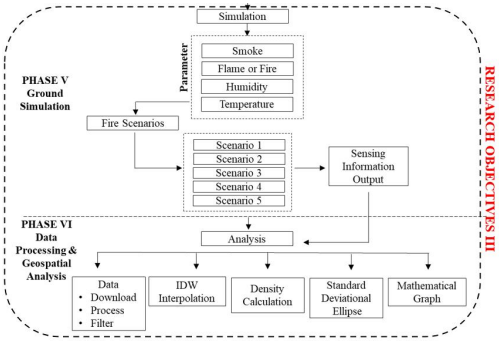


Research Findings for **RO** 3 = Phase V

Mathematical Graph

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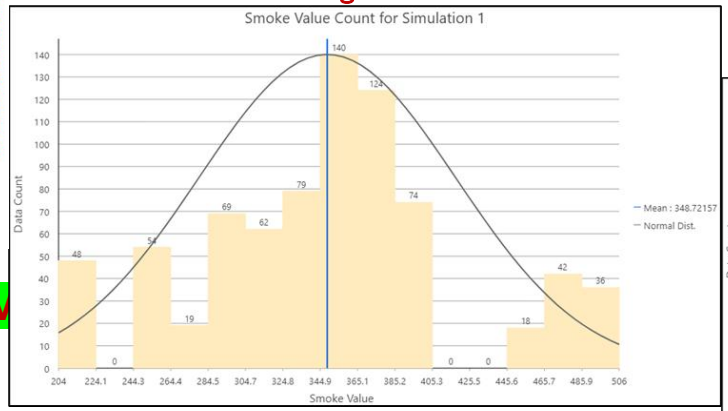


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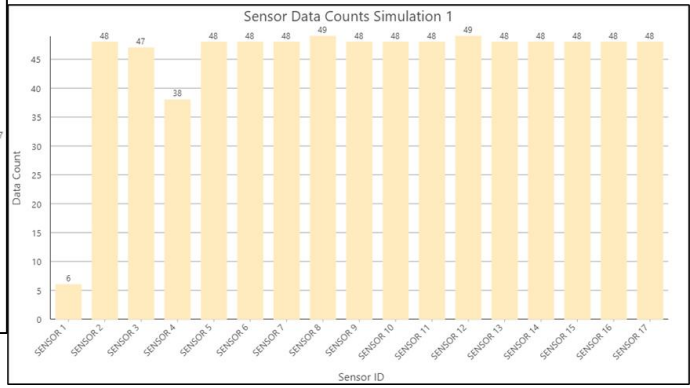


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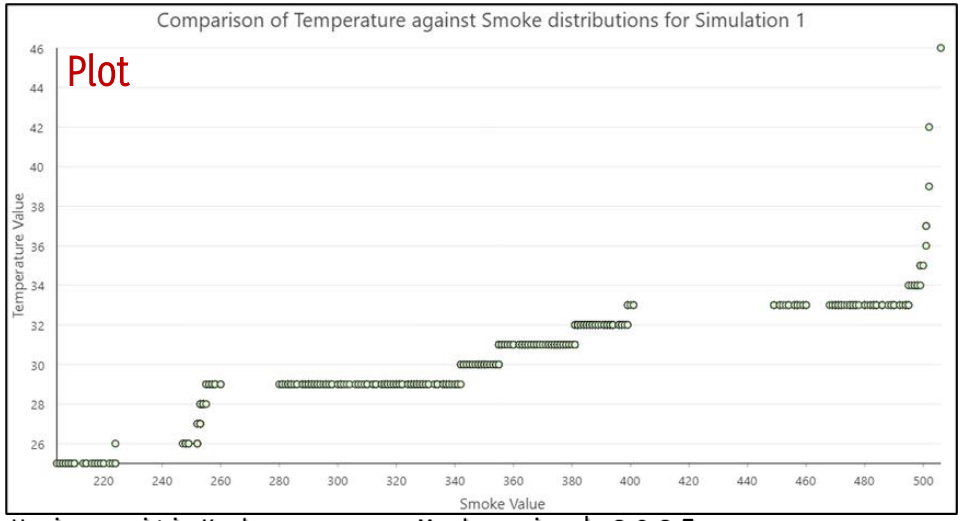


| Simulation | Total Data Count | Mean | Median | Standard Deviation | Frequent Smoke Value | Data Loss |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 765 | 348.7 | 350 | 69.3 | 344.9 – 365.1 | Sensor 1: 6<br>Sensor 4: 38 |
| 2 | 719 | 337.8 | 345 | 64.0 | 343.1 – 361.2 | Nil |
| 3 | 712 | 340.8 | 333 | 72.4 | 317.6 – 338.9 | Sensor 16: 12 |
| 4 | 654 | 340.7 | 328 | 58.7 | 285.3 – 304.6 | Sensor 2: 15<br>Sensor 16<br>Sensor 17: 23 |
| 5 | 700 | 321.3 | 307 | 57.6 | 295.7 – 313.0 | Sensor 4:34<br>Sensor 14: 34<br>Sensor16: 38<br>Sensor 17 |

# 5 –DISCUSSION

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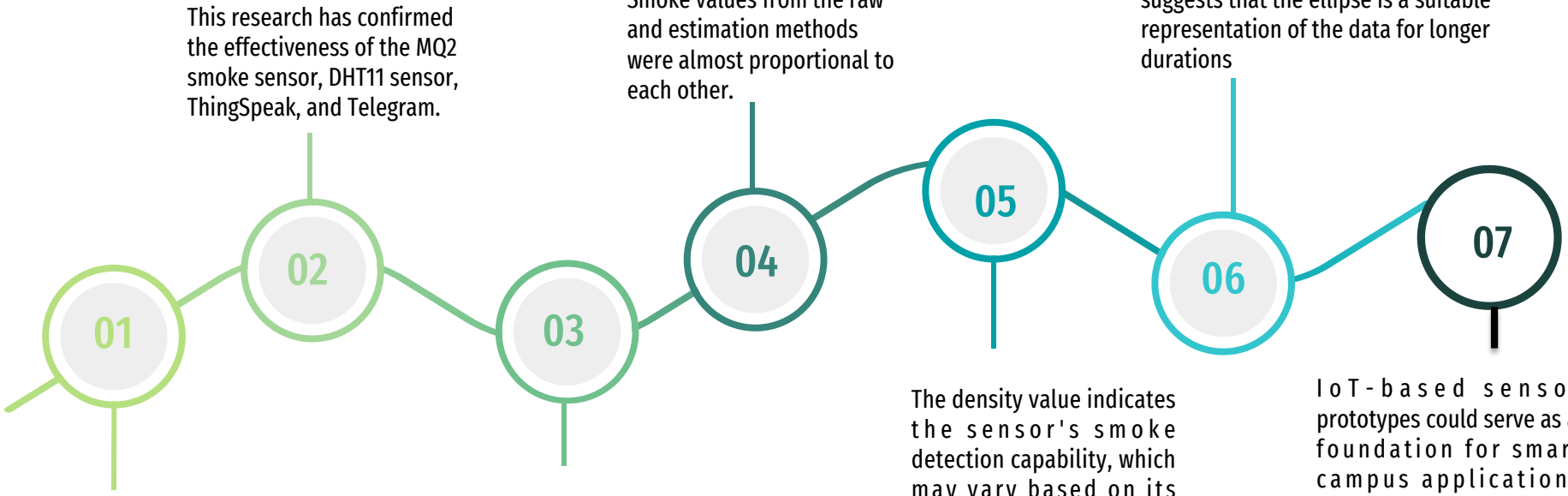


Sensor performance was tested via functionality test, results were within the datasheet range.

This research has confirmed the effectiveness of the MQ2 smoke sensor, DHT11 sensor, ThingSpeak, and Telegram.

The study reveals inconsistency in energy sources, indicating a specific investigation on the use of power banks and more stable sources can be conducted.

Smoke values from the raw and estimation methods were almost proportional to each other.

The density value indicates the sensor's smoke detection capability, which may vary based on its abilities.

Slight differences were observed in the size of the smoke ellipse, but they were not significant for this study. This suggests that the ellipse is a suitable representation of the data for longer durations

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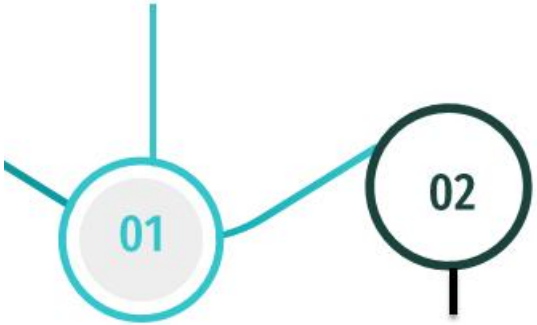


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01 The **sensor data quality was measured** and **represented** using geospatial analyses involving **IDW interpolation**

02 **IDW interpolation**, which calculates the average of sample data points surrounding each processing cell, then able to perform the smoke estimation

03 This research **aimed to support the development of a smart campus framework**, **focusing** on **hazard mitigation in Malaysian context,** as the current smart campus concept emphasises management and learning.

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