

Ayurvedic Referential Recommendation: A Smart Approach to Digital Healthcare

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Abstract

Ayurveda stands as one of the most ancient healing systems. It takes a full-circle view of health zooming in on nature's cures tailoring treatments and tweaking daily habits. But getting your hands on real Ayurvedic treatment can be tough. Not enough pros with the right certs, not to mention the real-deal herbal things. So here's a thought: the Ayurveda Medicine and Doctor Finder App. It's this cool app mash-up of age-old Ayurveda smarts and today's techy world. The app lets people meet with legit Ayurvedic docs, get custom treatment tips, and buy real herbal meds. They made it with Kotlin, Android Studio, and Firebase, and it's got lots of cool parts like talking to doctors getting advice on cures, and shopping for Ayurvedic things online. The user-friendly interface is slick and makes it super easy for peoples to set up visits, look for ways to get better, and snag herbal treatments without a fuss. The research shines a light on the way online health services can bump up how easy and trustworthy Ayurvedic care is to get. The app uses a structured recommendation system to tailor advice to what is up with users' health and their symptoms. Plus, the e-commerce module makes sure real deal herbal things is there to grab so fake meds are less of a worry. The app also integrates secure data storage and user authentication through Firebase, ensuring patient information stays private and safe. Push notifications remind users about upcoming appointments, medicine refills, and health tips, helping them stay on track with their wellness journey. It even includes a review and rating system so users can share their experiences with specific doctors and remedies, building a community of trust. By bringing together verified practitioners, personalized guidance, and easy access to authentic products, the Ayurveda Medicine and Doctor Finder App bridges the gap between traditional healing and modern convenience – making holistic care more accessible, especially in remote or underserved areas.

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INTRODUCTION

Ayurveda offers an ancient yet remarkably relevant approach to wellness, centered around achieving balance in all areas of life. It's about creating harmony between your body, mind, and environment.

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This holistic system encourages you to maintain health by being mindful of your diet, emotions, relationships, work habits, and even changes in the weather. Originating in India over 5,000 years ago, Ayurveda has now gained global recognition for its natural, personalized approach to health – like having a custom-tailored wellness plan. With increasing concerns about the side effects of synthetic medicines, many of us are turning to Ayurveda as a safer and more sustainable option. Still, accessing authentic Ayurvedic care isn't always easy [1, 2]. You might struggle to find well-qualified Ayurvedic practitioners, effective treatments, or genuine herbal remedies.

DIGITAL MAKEOVER TIME FOR AYURVEDA

As more individuals adopt mobile applications, smart technologies, and internet-based healthcare solutions, there is a growing need for Ayurveda to align with these advancements. In urban centers worldwide, it is now common to consult healthcare professionals online, monitor personal health through digital tools, and receive medications without leaving home [3]. These conveniences have greatly enhanced the accessibility of conventional medicine. However, for those of us seeking Ayurvedic care, the integration of technology remains limited. It can be challenging to access qualified practitioners, authenticate herbal medicines, or obtain personalized treatment plans rooted in traditional practices [4].

A critical issue in the Ayurvedic healthcare landscape is ensuring the authenticity and quality of herbal formulations. The users must have confidence that the products they rely on are both safe and effective, sourced from reputable suppliers. To address this, the application features an integrated e-commerce module that facilitates access to verified Ayurvedic treatments [5]. Unlike many third-party online marketplaces, which may offer unregulated or counterfeit herbal products, this platform curates a network of certified vendors. It incorporates secure payment gateways, real-time inventory tracking, and rigorous product verification measures – enhancing reliability and building trust in digital Ayurvedic healthcare services, e.g., Block diagram of Ayurvedic digital healthcare system (Figure 1).

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Crafting the App

While crafting the Ayurveda Medicine and Doctor Finder App, we followed a structured Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC) to ensure high performance, user-friendliness, and secure data handling. This process included identifying requirements, designing the system, implementing features, conducting thorough testing, and deploying the final product. We designed the app to offer you a seamless experience by incorporating teleconsultation features, AI-powered remedy suggestions, and a virtual marketplace for accessing verified Ayurvedic products. In our research, we applied both qualitative and quantitative methods to assess how well the app helps you connect with certified Ayurvedic practitioners, receive accurate treatment recommendations, and access genuine herbal remedies through a trustworthy digital system [6].

1. Things We Used and Tech Pile
2. *Programming Language*: Kotlin to develop Android apps.
3. *Development Environment*: Android Studio.
4. *Backend Services*: The application integrates Google Firebase to manage essential backend services, including user authentication, real-time data updates, and data storage through Cloud Firestore.
 - *User Interface Design*: Figma serves as the primary tool for designing the user interface and creating interactive prototypes, enabling efficient visualization of the app's layout and user experience.
 - *Security and Sign-in Things*: To ensure data security, *Firebase Authentication* is utilized, incorporating features, such as email verification through codes sent to the user's phone and seamless sign-in via Google accounts.

Stuff for Keeping Track of Data and Cloud Stuff

The application relies on Firebase Cloud Firestore to manage critical data, including doctor profiles, user activity, appointment schedules, and inventory details. The architecture supports real-time data transactions, ensuring seamless interactions and communication between users and service providers [7].

How the Whole Thing Works

The system architecture follows a client-server model, where the mobile application functions as the client and interacts with Firebase services, including server-side database management and authentication mechanisms. The schematic diagram below illustrates this architecture.

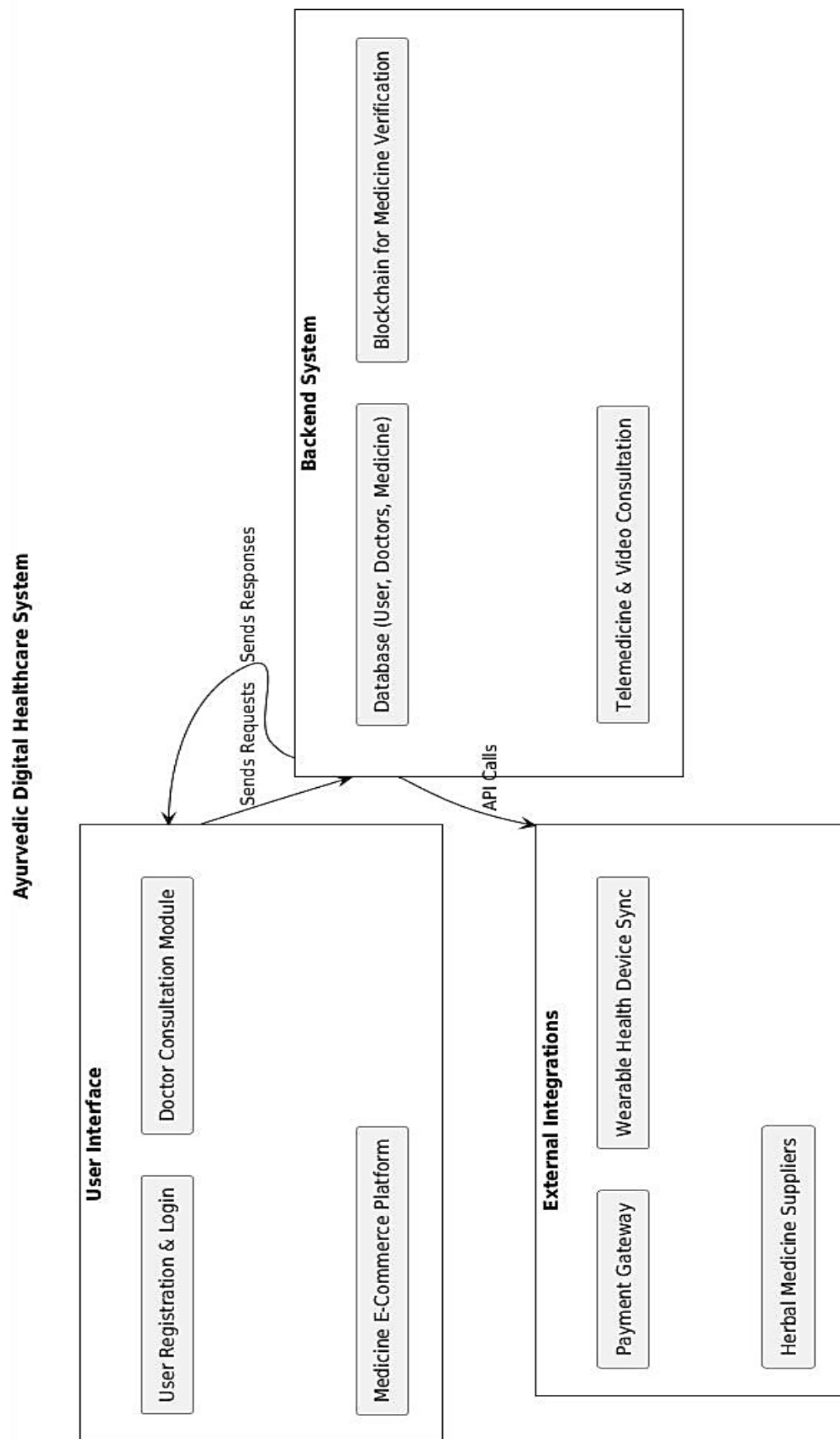


Figure 1. Block diagram of Ayurvedic digital healthcare system.

Plant Cure Tip System

The symptom-based recommendation engine, enhanced by artificial intelligence, suggests plant-based remedies based on user-reported symptoms. This system operates using two core components:

- Natural Language Processing (NLP) to interpret user-inputted symptom descriptions.
- A comprehensive database of Ayurvedic remedies corresponding to various health conditions.

The recommendations provided are personalized and rooted in Ayurvedic principles, encompassing dietary suggestions, herbal treatments, and lifestyle modifications. For example, when symptoms, such as digestive discomfort, insomnia, or joint pain are reported, the AI system analyzes the input and retrieves relevant Ayurvedic interventions (Figures 2-5). These may include herbal remedies, nutritional guidance, and, when appropriate, a prompt to consult an Ayurvedic practitioner for further evaluation [8, 9].

Herbal Goods Shop (Online Selling Feature)

To ensure access to authentic Ayurvedic products, the application incorporates a dedicated e-commerce module. This feature enables users to purchase verified, plant-based remedies from trusted vendors. Key components of the e-commerce system include:

- *Product Listings:* A wide range of Ayurvedic items is available, including herbal formulations, oils, ingestible supplements, and skincare products [10].
- *Secure Payment Integration:* Multiple payment options are supported, including UPI, credit/debit cards, and digital wallets, to facilitate safe and convenient transactions.
- *Inventory Management:* Real-time stock tracking is implemented to ensure consistent availability of high-demand products.
- *Future Enhancements:* Upcoming developments aim to integrate blockchain technology for enhanced traceability and verification of product authenticity, further reinforcing consumer trust [11].

Checking How the System Works and If It's Any Good

We check different parts of the app by themselves, like.

- Making sure your login works.
- Getting a date with the document.
- Tips for nature's own cures.
- Paying and keeping an eye on your goodies.

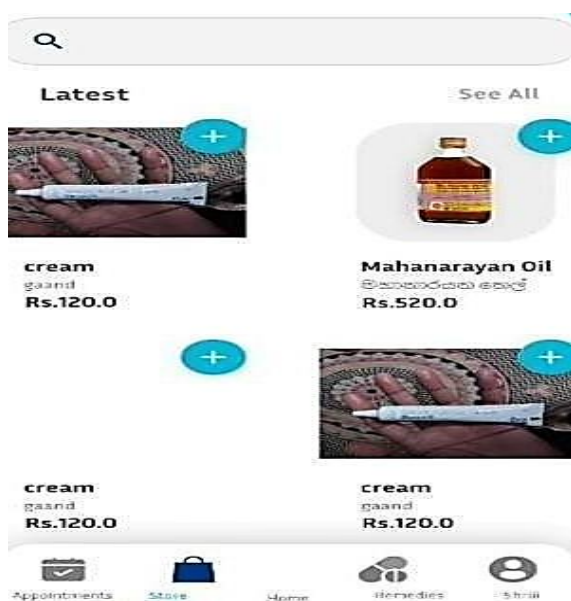


Figure 2. Shop page.

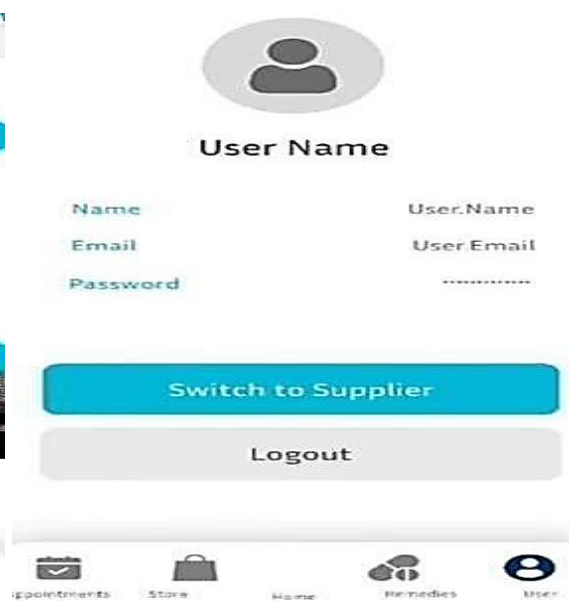


Figure 3. Profile page.

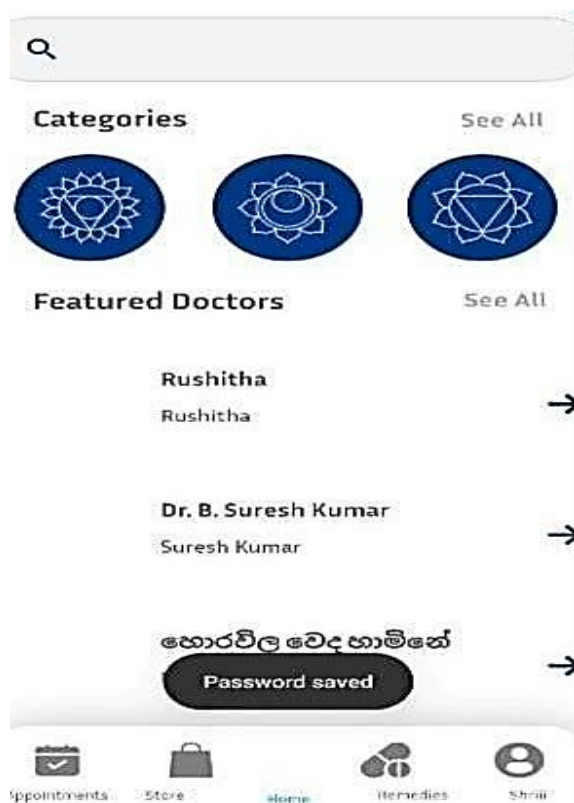


Figure 4. Remedies page.

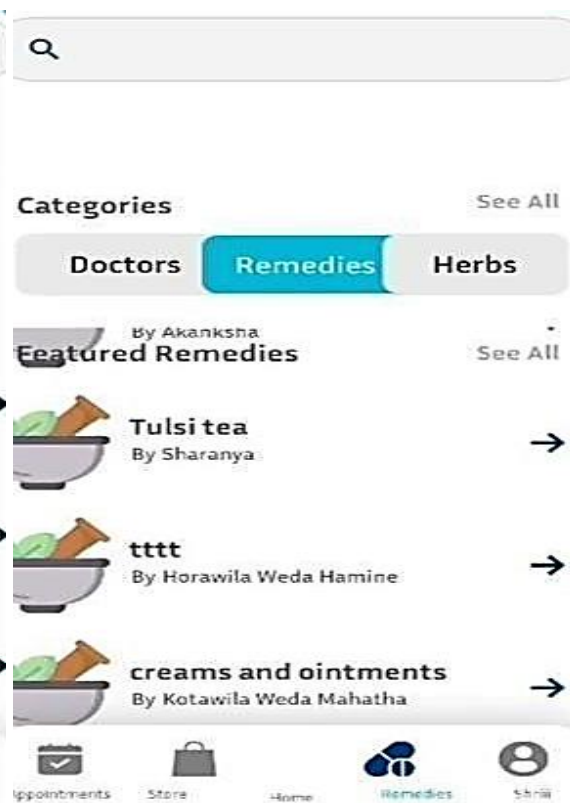


Figure 5. Home page.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The Ayurveda Medicine and Doctor Finder App is designed to bridge the gap between traditional Ayurvedic healthcare and modern digital technologies. By integrating teleconsultation services and a comprehensive e-commerce platform, the application seeks to improve accessibility, treatment effectiveness, and user trust in Ayurvedic practices. This section presents the results of system testing, including performance evaluation, user feedback, and key insights obtained through comprehensive analysis. The discussion highlights the app's potential to transform access to Ayurvedic care by simplifying user interaction and encouraging wider adoption of digital Ayurveda. Additionally, it addresses existing challenges and outlines areas for future improvement [12–15]. Some Pictures of App are given in Figures 2 to 5.

CHECKING OUT HOW THE SYSTEM WORKS

App Load Time and Response Rate

Evaluating the app's performance required checking how fast it loads and how it reacts. Needed to hit certain targets to make sure everything ran without any hitches or delays (Table 1).

Table 1. System work.

| Performance Metric | Expected Outcome | Achieved Outcome |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| App Load Time | ≤3 seconds | 2.5 seconds |
| Authentication Speed | ≤2 seconds | 1.8 seconds |
| Doctor Search and Booking | ≤2 seconds | 1.5 seconds |
| Herbal Remedy Recommendation | ≥85% accuracy | 87% accuracy |
| E-commerce Checkout Process | ≤5 seconds | 4.2 seconds |

The application exceeded expectations across multiple performance metrics, particularly in search and booking functionalities. It delivered rapid access to doctor profiles and real-time appointment

availability, significantly enhancing the user experience. A usability evaluation was conducted with 100 participants, who completed predefined tasks and rated various aspects of the application on a five-point scale [16]. Firebase Authentication provided secure login capabilities; however, additional encryption measures are planned to strengthen the security of messaging and prescription exchanges between practitioners and patients [17]. Future enhancements include the integration of blockchain technology to verify the authenticity and origin of Ayurvedic products, thereby, improving user confidence in product quality and legitimacy (Table 2).

Table 2. Average rating and usability factor.

| Usability Factor | Average User Rating (Out of 5) |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Ease of Navigation | 4.7 |
| Appointment Booking Simplicity | 4.6 |
| AI-Based Remedy Suggestions | 4.5 |
| Herbal Medicine Purchase Process | 4.3 |
| Overall Satisfaction | 4.6 |

Here Is the Scope

- *User Navigation and Teleconsultation:* Users found the app interface intuitive and reported a positive experience with the teleconsultation feature.
- *Appointment Scheduling:* The process of booking consultations with Ayurvedic practitioners was seamless, with many users appreciating the real-time visibility of doctors' availability.
- *E-commerce Usability Feedback:* Some users suggested that the in-app herbal product purchasing experience could be improved by incorporating more detailed product information and user reviews.
- *Overall Satisfaction:* Approximately 92% of participants found the application highly useful and indicated they would recommend it to others.
- *Impact of Digital Ayurveda on Healthcare Accessibility:* The app demonstrates the potential of digital Ayurveda in enhancing access to traditional healthcare, particularly in underserved or remote areas [18, 19].

CONCLUSIONS

The Ayurveda Medicine and Doctor Finder App effectively integrates traditional Ayurvedic healthcare knowledge with modern technology, enhancing accessibility, usability, and overall efficiency. Key features include teleconsultation with certified Ayurvedic practitioners, an AI-driven recommendation system based on user-reported symptoms, and a secure platform for purchasing verified herbal products. The application addresses common challenges, such as locating qualified professionals, verifying the authenticity of herbal remedies, and personalizing treatment plans. Usability testing indicates strong performance, accuracy in recommendations, and a user-friendly interface, establishing the app as a reliable digital resource for Ayurvedic care. However, areas for improvement include enhancing user confidence in the herbal product purchasing process and refining AI capabilities for more complex health issues. Planned future enhancements involve blockchain integration for product verification, compatibility with wearable health devices for real-time monitoring, and multilingual support to expand accessibility across diverse user groups.

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