

IoT- Based FIRE FIGHTER

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ABSTRACT

In the midst of a bustling metropolis like Mumbai, where every second counts in the face of potential disasters like arson, inadvertent fires, or unforeseen blazes, there's an urgent need for innovative solutions to mitigate the impact of these emergencies. Traditional fire-fighting responses often grapple with the relentless traffic snarls that can impede the rapid arrival of fire engines at critical scenes. Introducing the IoT Based Flame Fighter, a revolutionary solution poised to revolutionize the way we combat urban fires. My IoT Fire Fighting device represents a cutting-edge fusion of technology and safety, embodying a fleet of unmanned drones designed to be remotely controlled via Wi-Fi or mobile data networks. These agile drones serve as first responders, bridging the critical gap between the onset of a fire and the arrival of conventional firefighting teams.

Key word: Firefighter, IoT-based, Fusion, Unmanned Drone

INTRODUCTION

Fire is one of the most devastating disasters, capable of causing significant loss to life, property, and the environment within minutes. The rapid spread of fire in urban and rural areas demands swift action, precision, and robust firefighting mechanisms. Conventional firefighting methods often struggle with accessibility issues, especially in densely populated regions with narrow lanes and poorly planned infrastructure. A recent fire incident near my residence served as a stark reminder of these challenges. The fire broke out in a high rise tower opposite my building and quickly escalated, causing a cooking gas cylinder to explode. The narrow lanes in the locality severely hampered the timely arrival of fire brigades. As a result, the delay in response led to increased damage and panic among residents. This unfortunate event highlighted the urgent need for smarter, faster, and more accessible firefighting solutions. To address these challenges, my project proposes an **IoT-based Firefighter System** that integrates real-time environmental sensing, automation, and drone technology. The system is designed to detect fire early, navigate through inaccessible areas, and initiate primary firefighting actions before human teams arrive. By combining Internet of Things (IoT) components with a mobile robotic platform or drone, we aim to enhance firefighting efficiency, reduce response time, and minimize risk to human life.

Literature Review

In recent years, several IoT-based firefighting solutions have been proposed to reduce fire-related casualties and economic losses. Researchers such as Kumar et al. (2021) introduced a sensor-integrated fire alarm system using temperature and smoke sensors for early detection, though such systems remain static and ineffective in congested urban areas. A study by Zhao et al. (2020) developed an autonomous drone equipped with thermal

cameras for forest fire detection, but the solution lacked integration with real-time urban navigation systems. Another relevant work by Singh and Mehta (2019) focused on wireless sensor networks (WSNs) for indoor fire detection, demonstrating the effectiveness of IoT in monitoring but failing to address physical response or mitigation. However, most traditional IoT fire detection systems are either ground-based or stationary and do not overcome the challenges posed by urban congestion and narrow lanes in cities like Mumbai. Very few studies have explored the use of drones for *real-time response* in *congested city spaces*. Hence, there exists a clear research gap in combining IoT, aerial robotics, and real-time mitigation strategies tailored to densely populated urban areas—a gap this project aims to address. A lightweight, nimble, sensor-equipped drone that can act as a quick first responder in urban fire situations is what the present project suggests as a solution to this problem. Fire engines are often delayed during crises by Mumbai's continuous traffic flow and small lane constructions. The proposed drone can swiftly reach fire areas by using aerial routes, use onboard sensors to determine the extent of the crisis, and even start simple suppression actions like releasing fire-retardant material or setting off alarms to notify neighbors. The goal of this system is to close the crucial time gap between the emergency call and the arrival of full-scale response teams, not to replace traditional firefighting services. By doing this, it improves the city's ability to more effectively safeguard infrastructure, people, and property.

DESIGN

A technical marvel, this IoT drone is powered by strong 1000KV brushless motors, has a KK2.1.5 flying controller, and is built on the sturdy frame of an F450. The state-of-the-art ESP32 facilitates its communication capabilities by effortlessly integrating with mobile devices.

The ESP32 camera module installed in the AFR gives incident commanders and drone operators real-time situational information. It also includes a 500ml–1kg fire extinguisher, which is intended to meet the initial needs for fire containment. I intend to improve its ability to transport larger extinguishers in the future in recognition of the severity of some fires.

This drone serves as a force multiplier, establishing real-time communication links with our firefighters on the ground. This capability ensures they receive vital information and situational updates as events unfold, enabling them to assess the situation comprehensively and prioritize life-saving actions.



INTEGRATING INTO THE CURRENT EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM

Firefighting and emergency response systems are constantly adapting to meet the demands of urban settings like Mumbai, where heavy traffic and fast-spreading fires often delay critical action. This IoT Based Fire Fighter serve as a valuable addition to these systems, enhancing their efficiency and effectiveness. Here's how this device will integrate into the current framework and the advantages it brings:

1. Traditional Fire Engines:- Conventional fire engines, equipped with hoses, pumps, and trained personnel, remain at the core of firefighting operations. They play a vital role in delivering water and firefighting agents on a large scale.
2. Device contribution: It will act as an early responder, arriving at the scene faster than fire engines in congested areas. It can begin initial fire control measures and transmit live visuals, providing firefighters with valuable insights before they reach the site.
3. Fire Stations and Dispatch Units:- Fire stations and dispatch centers are the initial touch points in emergencies, responsible for receiving alerts and coordinating response strategies.
4. Integration: It can be linked with dispatch systems, allowing quick deployment in critical situations. It is particularly useful when roads are blocked or access is delayed, helping improve response time and resource planning.
5. Firefighter Tools and Equipment:-Firefighters rely on protective gear and advanced equipment to safely and effectively handle emergencies.
6. Device role: As a technological support unit, this drone enhances the capabilities of traditional gear. By offering aerial views and real-time data, it helps improve decision-making, safety, and strategic response.

PROPOSED SYSTEM

The Flame Fighter device is based on the strong and reliable drone model. This drone is made using high-quality material, which make it tough and steady during flight—even in busy and challenging areas like Mumbai. It is fitted with a camera module (ESP32) that shows live video of the fire scene. It captures images of the fire, smoke, and nearby dangers. The camera gives a clear view from above, which is very helpful before firefighters enter the danger zone.

ROLE OF WI-FI MODULE

At the heart of this device functionality lies its ESP32 Wi-Fi module, a technological marvel that harnesses the power of Wi-Fi networks to gather essential information in real time. This module enables this device to exploit Wi-Fi resources, providing critical data that empowers our firefighters to make informed decisions and take precise actions in the heat of the moment. In essence, the Fire Fighter represents a monumental leap forward in Mumbai's emergency response infrastructure. It's a testament to our city's commitment to innovation and resilience.



OBJECTIVE

In order to improve emergency response capabilities in urban settings, this project aims to design, develop, and assess a unique drone-based firefighting support system called Flame Fighter. The purpose of this study is to: Utilize the drone model with ESP32 and camera modules to incorporate cutting-edge drone technology into current firefighting systems. Drones with real-time visual surveillance and fire suppression technologies can be quickly deployed to improve reaction times and initial fire containment. Examine how well this device provides situational awareness, particularly in high-risk or traffic-heavy regions where conventional fire engines are delayed. Examine how drones might complement fire stations and firefighter teams as force multipliers to improve the ecosystem surrounding emergency response.

Generate Recommendation: Based on my research and design, get further recommendations and best practices for the integration of this device into urban firefighting strategies, with a focus on optimizing response time, improving safety, and maximizing effectiveness.

Promote Awareness: Raise awareness about the capabilities and benefits of this device among firefighting agencies, municipal authorities, and the general public.

Facilitate Future Research: Lay the foundation for further research and development in the field of drone-based firefighting technologies, exploring advanced capabilities and applications.

By pursuing these objectives, this research paper seeks to contribute valuable insights to enhance urban firefighting capabilities through the integration of IoT Based Fire Fighter. Ultimately, the research aims to improve urban safety, protect lives and property, and address the unique challenges posed by fire incidents in densely populated urban areas.

CONCLUSION

The rising number of fire incidents in Mumbai highlights the urgent need for improved firefighting strategies. Addressing these challenges requires a comprehensive approach that blends traditional firefighting methods with advanced technologies. One such innovative solution is my drone-based system designed to enhance emergency response efficiency.

IoT Based Fire Fighter: A Breakthrough in Firefighting: This introduces a major advancement in firefighting technology. Its ability to fly over traffic and reach fire scenes quickly allows it to reduce response time significantly. By reaching the site before conventional fire engines, it can perform key tasks such as:

Early Fire Suppression: With a built-in 500ml–1kg fire extinguisher, it can begin suppressing fires immediately, helping to contain them in their early stages.

Real-time Data Sharing: The onboard ESP32 camera module captures live video of the fire scene, offering valuable situational insights to incident commanders and firefighters.

Increased Safety: By delivering early intelligence and beginning initial suppression, it helps reduce the risks faced by firefighters, allowing them to plan safer and more effective responses.

In conclusion, this device represents a transformative tool that complements existing firefighting resources and has the potential to greatly enhance public safety and emergency preparedness in urban environments like Mumbai. ***With further development, such systems could redefine urban disaster response strategies***

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