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Flexi-Pass Toll Tax Management Using CCTV Camera

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Abstract
The proposed CCTV Toll Tax Management System aims to revolutionize toll collection by leveraging advanced surveillance technology and internet connectivity. This system involves strategically placing CCTV cameras on poles at 50 km intervals along highways. These cameras, connected to the internet, continuously capture vehicle images and transmit the data to a central database server. The server processes the data to identify vehicles and calculate the toll charges automatically. To enhance user convenience and operational efficiency, the system includes a mobile application for users and a web portal for RTO (Regional Transport Office) officials. The mobile app allows users to view their toll history, receive notifications, and make payments seamlessly. Meanwhile, the web portal provides RTO officials with real-time access to toll data, enabling efficient monitoring and management of toll operations. Additionally, the system incorporates unauthorized number plate detection and scrapped vehicle identification features. These functionalities help detect unauthorized vehicles and scrapped vehicles, enhancing road safety and ensuring compliance with regulations. This integrated approach reduces manual intervention and provides a smooth and transparent toll collection process, ultimately contributing to improved traffic flow and reduced congestion at toll plazas.
Keywords: *CCTV, RTO, RFID, RF.*

1. Introduction
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1.1 Methods of Toll tax system
The proposal for using CCTV cameras in toll tax collection likely emerged as part of a broader trend to enhance the efficiency, security, and automation

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of tolling systems. he shifts from manual toll collection to electronic toll collection (ETC) began in the 1980s and 1990s as countries sought to reduce congestion and increase efficiency on toll roads. The introduction of technologies like RFID and infrared sensors allowed for vehicles to pass through toll booths without stopping, laying the foundation for more automated systems. The need for automated tolling systems grew, so did the development of ANPR technology, which uses optical character recognition to read vehicle license plates. ANPR had been successfully implemented in other areas of law enforcement (such as speed enforcement) by the early 2000s, and tolling authorities started to see its potential for toll collection. The proposal to use CCTV cameras for toll tax collection originated from a combination of advancements in technology, the desire to reduce toll evasion, the push for smarter transportation systems, and the need to modernize existing tolling infrastructures. The idea gained traction through pilot programs and successful implementation in various countries, leading to its widespread adoption as part of a more efficient, automated, and enforceable toll collection system. [3-4]

2. System Architecture

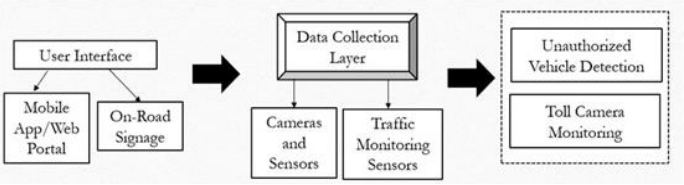

Figure 1 System Architecture of Toll Tax Using CCTV Cameras

The figure 1 shows toll tax using CCTV cameras system, there are basically two important parts in system which are as follows:

- **Unauthorized Vehicle Detection:** Unauthorized vehicles are being detected but should be displayed as alerts on the RTO portal.[1]
- **Toll Camera Monitoring:** Toll cameras will be installed on poles within a distance of 50 km. This setup will help reduce the capital expenditure (capex) of toll plazas. If there is insufficient balance in the wallet linked to the account, the bill will move to pending status. If the pending bill is not paid within 14 days, a late fee will be applied.[2]

3. Methodology

The methodology for implementing toll tax collection using CCTV cameras involves a systematic approach to integrate CCTV surveillance, Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) technology, and electronic toll collection (ETC) systems. User Interface Layer allows users to manage their accounts, check bal- ances, and receive notifications. Displays real-time information about tolls and payment options. Manages real-time toll transactions, updates user accounts, and processes payments. Stores user profiles, transaction history, and vehicle data. The methodology for implementing toll tax collection using CCTV cameras involves a combination of planning, technology integration, real-time monitoring, enforcement, data analysis, and continuous improvement. This approach ensures that toll collection is efficient, accurate, and seamless, enhancing both user experience and operational performance. CCTV cameras are installed on poles at regular intervals (every 50 km) along highways. These cameras should have high-resolution imaging capabilities and be equipped with Optical Character Recognition (OCR) software for plate recognition. Cameras capture images of vehicles as they pass. The algorithm processes video frames to detect vehicles. Use Optical Character Recognition (OCR) to extract vehicle number plates from the images. Once the vehicle number plate is recognized, the data (number plate, timestamp, and image) is transmitted via an internet connection to a central server. Based on the vehicle type and the distance traveled (calculated based on camera position), the toll charge is automatically computed. The vehicle type (car, truck, etc.) and the distance between two cameras will determine the toll charge. Use a trained machine learning model to detect modified or unauthorized plates. The model is trained on a dataset of valid and invalid plates. A machine learning-based anomaly detection model can be used to spot discrepancies in number plates, such as

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missing characters or altered fonts. Check against a database of vehicles marked as scrapped. If a vehicle's number plate matches an entry in the scrapped vehicle database, it's flagged as invalid. Implement real-time traffic monitoring algorithms to analyze congestion and optimize toll rates based on traffic patterns. Analyze the number of vehicles passing through a specific section of the highway within a given time period. By following this methodology and utilizing specific algorithms for vehicle detection, toll calculation, and system monitoring, the proposed CCTV Toll Tax Management System will enhance the efficiency and transparency of toll collection. It will minimize human intervention and provide a smooth and automated process for both users and administration. [9-10]

4. Results and Discussion

The system's ability to identify vehicles using Optical Character Recognition (OCR) for number plate recognition is critical for seamless toll collection. [7-8] The automatic toll calculation based on vehicle type, distance traveled, and time of passage shows promising. Early user testing of the mobile application indicates a high level of satisfaction, with users finding it easy to view their toll history, make payments, and receive notifications. Integration with secure payment gateways like Stripe enables users to complete transactions smoothly, with a payment success rate for successful transactions. Initial trials show a significant reduction in congestion at toll plazas. Traditional toll booths, which require manual cash handling, often experience delays. The automated nature of the CCTV system allows for faster processing, reducing vehicle waiting times. By automating the toll collection process, the system reduces the need for manual intervention and minimizes human errors. This leads to increased operational efficiency and improved traffic flow, especially at toll plazas. The integration of unauthorized vehicle detection and scrapped vehicle identification improves road safety by ensuring that only vehicles in good standing are allowed to pass through toll booths. The mobile app provides users with a seamless experience, allowing them to easily track their toll history, receive notifications, and make payments, all from their mobile devices. The web portal offers real- time access to toll collection data, enabling RTO officials to monitor and manage the toll collection process effectively. The ability to generate reports enhances decision-making capabilities. The CCTV Toll Tax Management System provides a highly efficient, automated, and user-friendly solution for modern toll collection. With its real-time monitoring, automated vehicle identification, and integrated payment systems, it promises to reduce congestion, enhance road safety, and streamline toll operations. Despite challenges such as environmental factors and initial setup costs, the system holds great promise in improving the overall toll collection process and offering a seamless experience for both users and authorities. The continuous improvement of the system and its features will contribute to a smarter and more efficient traffic management ecosystem in the future. Figure 2 shows Results of the project. [6]

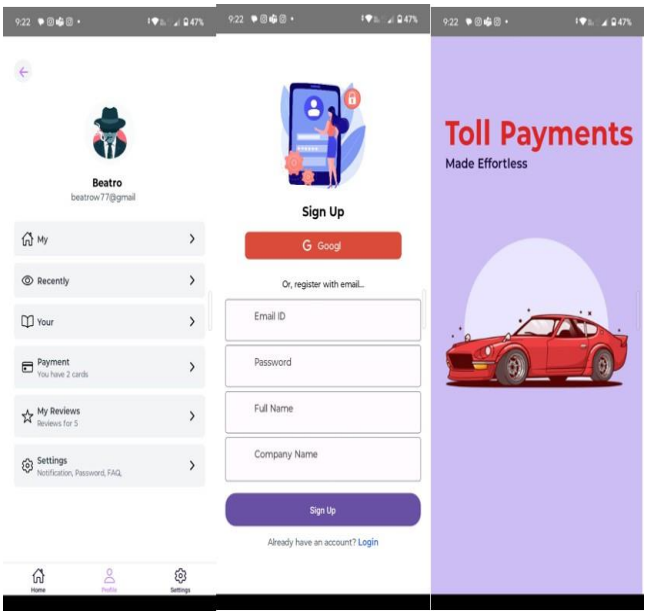

Figure 2 Results of the project

Conclusion

The limitations of existing are, the system will only deal with individual toll booths. Multiple Radio Frequency [RF] tags are unable to be processed together. The entire proposed configuration will significantly surmount the stationary cost.

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Therefore, In the proposed system it is expected that the system will be fully automated, reliable, transparent, and convenient. The entire system can also be used with small or no modification in vehicles on highways, and their toll payments.

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