ABSTRACT

The increasing waste problem in Indonesia has become an urgent

environmental issue, especially due to the lack of public awareness in sorting waste

and limited supporting facilities. Inefficiency in the sorting process causes a

decrease in recycling effectiveness and wider environmental pollution. This

condition demands innovative solutions that are not only efficient but also able to

educate the public. This study aims to design an Internet of Things (IoT)-based

waste sorting system that can automatically sort waste into organik, non-organik,

and metal categories.

The method used in this study involves a combination of sensors such as

proximity sensors (inductive and capacitive), ultrasonic sensors, and loadcell

sensors, which are integrated through the Arduino Mega 2560 microcontroller and

NodeMCU ESP8266 as a wireless connection. Data from the sensors is sent in real-

time to the Firebase database and visualized in an Android application based on

Android Studio. Algorithm classification is used to identify the type of waste, while

fuzzy logic is used to determine the capacity status of the trash bin. This system is

also equipped with a notification feature to the cleaners when the trash bin

approaches maximum capacity.

Based on the test results, the designed automatic waste sorting system is able

to work well. This tool successfully carries out its function in detecting, classifying,

and combining waste automatically and in *real-time*. The application of various

sensors and integration with mobile applications has been proven to support the

efficiency of the waste sorting process, while also showing that this technology is

worthy of being applied as a solution in smart and sustainable waste management.

Keywords: Internet of Things, Arduino Mega 2560, NodeMCU ESP8266,

Firebase, Android Studio, Automatic Waste Sorting Bin

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