



User-Friendly Interface and Comprehensive Features for Hostel Management

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Abstract:

Background of study: Hostel administration in academic institutions has traditionally relied on manual processes such as paper-based record keeping, in-person registration, and ad-hoc maintenance communication. These fragmented practices often lead to inefficiencies, delays, miscommunication, and data inaccuracy. As student populations grow and operational demands increase, institutions require modernized systems that integrate automation, usability, and real-time information management to improve service delivery and resource allocation. However, existing solutions frequently lack comprehensive features, scalability, or user-centric design, indicating a clear gap in the availability of accessible and robust digital hostel management platforms.

Aims: This study aims to design and implement a user-friendly, web-based Hostel Management System (HMS) that consolidates key administrative operations including student registration, room allocation, maintenance reporting, and occupancy tracking within a unified interface. The scope encompasses database design, workflow automation, interface usability, security provisions, and system evaluation through functional demonstrations.

Methods: The system was developed following an Agile methodology, enabling iterative refinement based on user feedback. Dataset acquisition involved collecting student, room, facility, and maintenance information, followed by preprocessing steps such as data cleaning, normalization, and categorization to ensure accuracy. The architecture employed modular design principles, a web-based interface for multi-device accessibility, and security measures such as encrypted storage and role-based access control. Functional testing, integration testing, and user acceptance trials validated system performance and reliability.

Result: The implemented HMS successfully automated core hostel processes improved real-time data access, and significantly reduced manual workload for administrative staff. Features such as automated room allocation, maintenance request tracking, virtual hostel viewing, and dashboard-based monitoring demonstrated high usability and operational effectiveness. User feedback indicated enhanced transparency, faster response times, and improved overall efficiency in hostel management.

Conclusion: The proposed system provides a scalable, secure, and intuitive solution that modernizes hostel operations. By integrating comprehensive features within a user-friendly platform, the HMS enhances administrative productivity and student satisfaction. Its modular architecture and cloud-ready design position it for future enhancements, including AI-driven analytics, mobile integration, and predictive resource planning.

Keywords: Administrative Efficiency; Automation; Hostel Management System; User-Centric Interface; Web-Based Application.

1. INTRODUCTION

Efficient hostel management has become increasingly crucial in modern academic institutions, where the scale

and the complexity of student accommodation continues to grow. Traditionally, hostel operations have relied heavily on manual, paper-based processes for room allocation, student registration, maintenance tracking, and record management (Mohammed & Amoah, 2025; Diyaolu et al., 2024). These labor-intensive methods are prone to human error, duplicate records, misplaced files, and communication delays, particularly during peak academic periods such as semester admissions or examinations (Syarif & Imaroh, 2026). As institutions transition toward digital ecosystems, the persistence of outdated administrative models presents a fundamental challenge to achieving accuracy, transparency, and operational efficiency (Florek-paszowska & Ujwary-gil, 2025).

Despite the widespread need for digital transformation, many hostel management systems currently in use

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remain fragmented in functionality, limited in user accessibility, or difficult to scale (Nikhil et al., 2025; Saputra et al., 2025). Existing studies have proposed web-based or database-driven solutions intended to improve administrative processes; however, these systems often emphasize isolated components such as database automation, security enhancements, or room allocation strategies without providing a comprehensive, user-friendly platform (Sidahmed et al., 2024; Weerasinghe et al., 2022). Prior work on web-based hostel management platforms highlights improvements in digitization. Still, it lacks real-time updates, an intuitive interface, a modular architecture, and multi-role support for students, wardens, and administrators. As a result, the gap persists in developing a holistic, scalable, and highly usable system that aligns with the evolving demands of both hostel administrators and resident students (Ibukun et al., 2025; Ankita et al., 2025).

To address this gap, this research proposes a web-based Hostel Management System (HMS) featuring a user-friendly interface and comprehensive, modular functionality designed to streamline the end-to-end hostel management workflow. The proposed solution integrates automated student registration, dynamic room allocation based on occupancy data, maintenance and complaint management, real-time status monitoring, and dashboard-driven administrative controls. By prioritizing usability, responsiveness, and accessibility, the system aims to minimize manual intervention and improve overall service quality in hostel environments.

The development methodology follows an Agile framework, enabling iterative design, continuous testing, and refinement based on user feedback (Zorzetti et al., 2022). Dataset acquisition involves collecting and preprocessing data on students, rooms, occupancy, maintenance requests, and staff assignments. These datasets undergo cleaning, normalization, and

categorization to ensure accuracy and efficient database operations. The system architecture employs modular design principles, allowing independent feature development and ensuring scalability for future enhancements. Key technologies include HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and MySQL, deployed through a web-based interface compatible with multiple devices.

The experiment setup includes functional testing of each module, integration testing across system components, user acceptance testing (UAT) with both students and administrators, and interface usability evaluation (Ahmad & Sazali, 2021). Screens such as the student login page, admin dashboard, virtual hostel viewing, and room allocation module are examined to assess operational effectiveness and user satisfaction. System performance is evaluated based on processing accuracy, responsiveness, ease of use, and workflow efficiency.

The overarching goal of this research is to create a modern, secure, and efficient hostel management platform that eliminates the limitations of manual processes, enhances communication, and supports data-driven administrative decision-making. By providing a fully integrated system with an intuitive design and scalable architecture, this study aims to contribute a practical, future-ready digital solution capable of transforming traditional hostel management practices.

2. MATERIAL AND METHOD

This study adopts a systematic and rigorous methodological framework to design, develop, and evaluate a comprehensive web-based Hostel Management System (HMS). The methodology integrates dataset acquisition, preprocessing, modular system design, Agile-based development, and multi-stage system validation to ensure accuracy, usability, security, and scalability, as shown in Figure 1.

Methodology

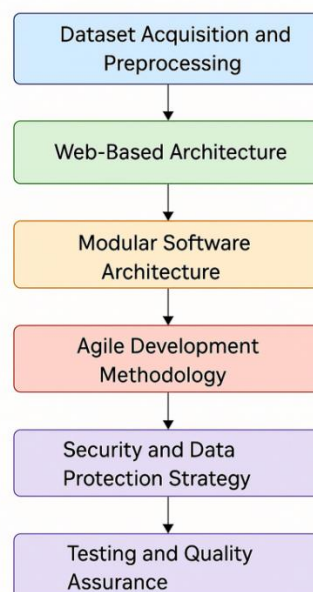


Figure 1. The methodology

Dataset Acquisition and Preprocessing

Dataset acquisition focused on gathering all information essential for efficient hostel administration. The datasets consisted of:

- a. Student information (name, ID, academic program, floor, room assignment).
- b. Room attributes (floor, room ID, beds occupied, beds available, warden details).
- c. Operational records (maintenance requests, visit logs, occupancy history, payment/fee status).
- d. Administrative data (hostel blocks, staff information, facility metadata)

Raw datasets were subjected to a comprehensive preprocessing pipeline to ensure consistency and analytical fitness data cleaning procedures addressed missing values, inconsistent entries, duplicates, and formatting errors. Standardization and normalization techniques were applied to harmonize data types and enable seamless interaction with the MySQL backend. Data transformation included categorical grouping and converting unstructured entries into structured, database-ready formats. The resulting dataset supported optimized querying, real-time updates, and automated allocation decisions (Xu et al., 2023; Ramírez-Gallego et al., 2017).

The Room and Student tables were structured according to relational database principles, with unique identifiers, defined field constraints, and optimized indexing to support rapid retrieval and high-volume transaction processing. These tables serve as the core components of the database schema governing occupancy and allocation workflows.

System Design and Proposed Development Framework

- a. Web-Based Architecture. The HMS was designed as a browser-accessible, platform-independent application to maximize accessibility for administrators and students. The interface was implemented using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript, while MySQL served as the primary database engine. The web-based architecture ensured cross-device compatibility and eliminated the need for local software installation (Patil et al., 2023; Nagpal et al., 2020).
- b. Modular Software Architecture. A modular system architecture was adopted to enhance maintainability, scalability, and extensibility. Each central functional unit student registration, room allocation, issue reporting, occupancy tracking, and administrative management was developed as an independent module with clearly defined APIs (Muhana et al., 2024; Geng & Liu, 2020). This design enables seamless module upgrades or replacements without disrupting system-wide functionality.
- c. Agile Development Methodology. The development process followed the Agile methodology, using sequential sprints to iteratively implement, test, review, and refine individual system components (Riesener et al., 2023;

Nugraha et al., 2025). Requirements were collected through structured consultations with hostel wardens, administrative staff, and student representatives. Each sprint delivered a functional subsystem that was immediately validated and integrated, ensuring development remained aligned with real-world workflows.

- d. User-Centric Interface Design. A user-centered design approach guided all interface decisions. Surveys, interviews, and usability feedback informed page layouts, navigation structure, and visual elements. Prioritizing minimal cognitive load, the system incorporated intuitive dashboards, simplified forms, guided workflows, and accessibility-optimized menus. Revisions were made iteratively based on direct user observations and task-completion studies.

Security and Data Protection Strategy

Given the sensitivity of student personal information, the system incorporates multiple layers of security:

- a. Encrypted data storage for critical fields.
- b. Secure communication protocols for interactions between client and server.
- c. Role-based access control (RBAC) defines permissions for students, wardens, and administrators.
- d. Input validation and sanitization to prevent SQL injection and other common exploits.
- e. Audit logs to track administrative actions and system modifications

This security framework ensures compliance with institutional privacy expectations and mitigates risks of unauthorized access or data leakage (Nayak et al., 2025).

Testing and Quality Assurance

A comprehensive testing strategy was employed to verify system reliability and functional correctness:

- a. Unit Testing: Each module underwent isolated testing to validate feature functionality, boundary conditions, and error handling.
- b. Integration Testing: Inter-modular interactions such as student registration syncing with occupancy updates were tested to ensure database integrity and workflow consistency.
- c. Performance Testing: Load tests examined system responsiveness during peak operations.
- d. User Acceptance Testing (UAT): End-users, including students and hostel administrators, interacted with the platform in a simulated real-world environment. Feedback from UAT informed interface improvements, workflow adjustments, and refinements to room allocation algorithms (Muttaqien et al., 2024; Setyadi et al., 2025).

Experiment Setup

The experimental setup involved deploying the HMS on a controlled hosting environment and evaluating its performance through multiple scenarios:

- a. User Scenarios Tested:
 1. Student login and registration.

2. Real-time room availability checks.
 3. Automated room allocation.
 4. Complaint submission and status monitoring.
 5. Admin dashboard visualization.
 6. Modification of student and room records.
- b. System Interfaces Evaluated: Figures included the welcome page, student login, admin portal, block view, virtual hostel tour, and data modification screens.
- c. Evaluation Metrics:
1. Accuracy of room allocation decisions.
 2. Response time for database queries.
 3. Error rate and bug frequency across modules.
 4. User satisfaction and task-completion time.
 5. System stability under concurrent access

The testing environment ensured that both functional and non-functional requirements were assessed comprehensively.

The methodological framework combines structured data management, iterative development cycles, modular architecture, robust security, and a multi-layered evaluation strategy. This holistic approach ensures that the proposed Hostel Management System is scalable, user-friendly, secure, and capable of

addressing the limitations of traditional manual hostel administration.

3. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

3.1 Results

The proposed Hostel Management System (HMS) was successfully developed and deployed, demonstrating its capability to automate and streamline essential hostel operations. The system integrates multiple functional modules, including student registration, room allocation, complaint management, virtual hostel viewing, administrative dashboards, and real-time occupancy monitoring. Figures presented in the system interface illustrate a coherent, responsive design that covers the whole workflow from student login and profile management to administrative control panels and room-status visualizations.

Figures 2 to 6 show the results of the HMS prototype for the student user role.



Figure 2. Welcome Page

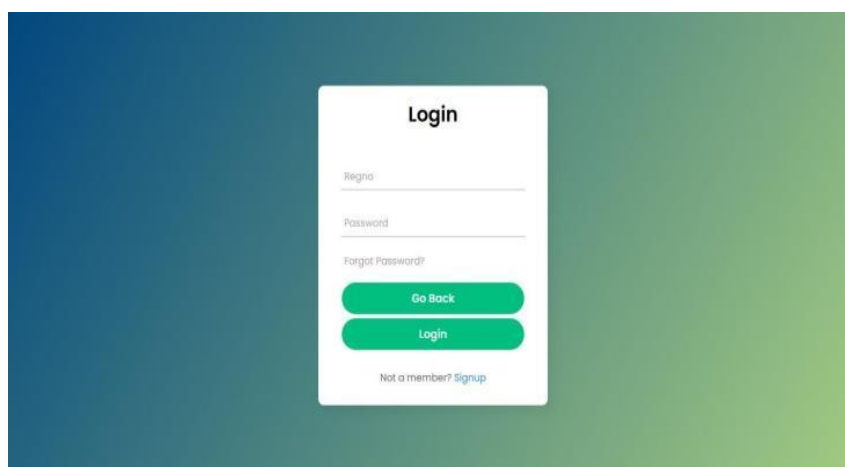


Figure 3. Student Login Page

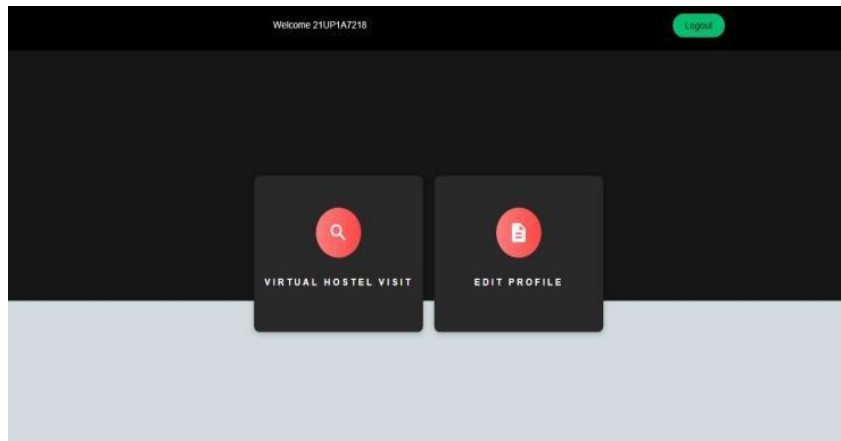


Figure 4. Student Page

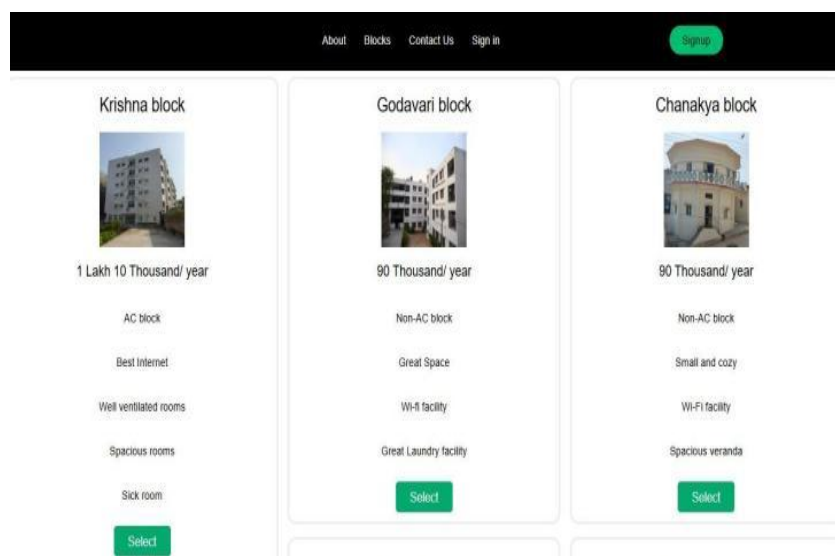


Figure 5. Hostel Block Information

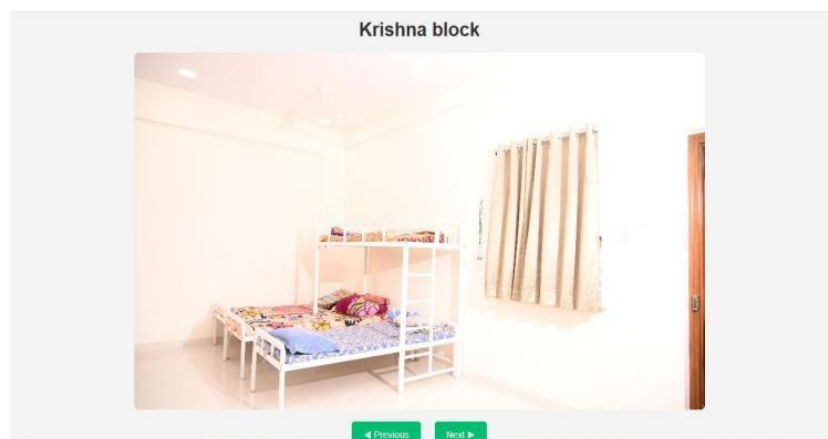


Figure 6. Virtual Visit Facility

The set of interface screenshots (Figures 2-6) illustrates the streamlined user journey within the Hostel Management System, beginning from the initial system entry point to interactive hostel exploration. The process starts with the Welcome Page, which provides a simple, intuitive landing page for users. It introduces the platform clearly and guides users toward the next step,

creating an accessible starting point for both new and returning users.

Following this, users proceed to the Student Login Page, where they authenticate themselves using secure credentials. This login module ensures data protection and controlled access, while also supporting the creation

of accounts for new students. After successful authentication, students are directed to their personalized Student Page, which acts as the central dashboard for interacting with the system. From this page, students can view their profile details, access hostel information, and navigate to key services such as room status and maintenance requests.

The workflow continues with access to the Hostel Block Information section, where students are presented with structured details about available hostel blocks. Each block includes images, essential descriptions, and relevant capacity information, helping students better understand accommodation options. This feature improves transparency and supports informed decision-making about room selection or block preferences.

To enhance user engagement, the system also includes a Virtual Visit Facility that enables students to explore hostel blocks through images or simulated walkthroughs. This feature is particularly beneficial for new or incoming students, offering a realistic preview of the campus environment before physically visiting. Overall, the sequence of interfaces demonstrates a user-friendly, well-organized system that supports efficient navigation and enhances the accommodation experience in the hostel environment.

Figures 7-9 show the results of the HMS prototype for the administration user role.

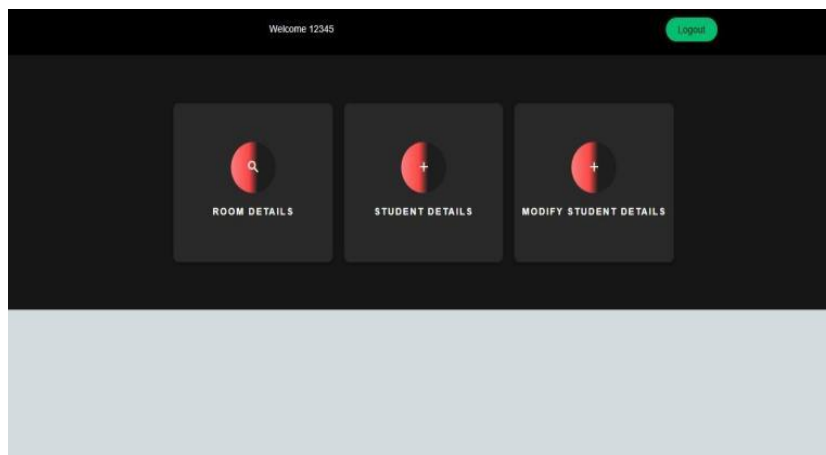


Figure 7. Administration Page

Room Details

Select Block:

Floor	Room ID	Beds Occupied	Beds Empty	Warden Name
Ground	1	5	1	Jaya
Ground	2	8	0	Jaya
Ground	3	6	0	Jaya
Ground	4	7	0	Jaya
Ground	5	8	0	Jaya
Ground	7	7	1	Jaya
Ground	8	8	0	Jaya
Ground	9	5	1	Jaya
Ground	10	8	0	Jaya
Ground	11	5	2	Jaya
First	101	6	1	Jaya
First	102	6	2	Jaya
First	103	6	1	Jaya
First	104	6	0	Jaya
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Figure 8. View Room Detail

Figure 9. Modify Student Data

The next stage of the system workflow highlights the administrative functionalities (Figures 7-9), beginning with the Administration Page shown in Figure 7. This interface serves as the main control panel for hostel administrators, providing direct access to critical management features, including room details, student records, and modification tools. The page features a straightforward layout that allows administrators to quickly choose between reviewing hostel blocks, viewing student datasets, or updating information. Its simple, icon-based navigation ensures efficient access to operational functions, supporting smooth management processes.

Figure 8 shows the View Room Details interface, where administrators can view comprehensive information about each room in the hostel. The table displays key attributes, including floor number, room ID, number of occupied beds, number of available beds, and the assigned warden. This structured, tabulated view helps administrators monitor occupancy levels in real time, detect capacity imbalances, and make informed decisions regarding allocation and room adjustments. The inclusion of a filter or search option further allows quick retrieval of specific room data, contributing to efficient oversight and resource management.

The workflow concludes with Figure 9, which illustrates the Modify Student Data page. This interface enables administrators to update student information, such as name, ID number, room assignment, and academic branch. The editable form-based structure ensures that modifications can be applied accurately and swiftly, reducing administrative delays associated with manual record-keeping. This feature is significant for managing dynamic situations such as room changes, corrections to personal details, or reallocations during peak hostel periods.

Together, Figures 7–9 demonstrate how the system centralizes administrative tasks in an accessible, user-friendly environment. By combining real-time data visibility with seamless update capabilities, the system enhances the accuracy, efficiency, and reliability of hostel operations.

The implementation of automated room allocation enabled the system to assign rooms dynamically based on availability, capacity, and predefined rules. This significantly reduced manual processing time and minimized allocation errors. The maintenance and complaint module enabled students to submit requests seamlessly, while administrators could track, prioritize, and resolve them with greater transparency. User testing revealed high satisfaction among both students and administrators, particularly regarding ease of navigation, response speed, and clarity of system functions (Kishor et al., 2017; Aravinth et al., 2025).

Overall, the results indicate that the HMS effectively improves day-to-day hostel administration by reducing reliance on manual documentation, enhancing data retrieval accuracy, and enabling real-time decision-making. The system also demonstrated scalability and reliability during performance and integration testing, confirming its suitability for institutional deployment.

User Acceptance Testing (UAT) and Interface Usability Evaluation

To evaluate the effectiveness, usability, and overall user experience of the Hostel Management System (HMS), a structured User Acceptance Testing (UAT) process was conducted involving two stakeholder groups: students and hostel administrators. The evaluation aimed to assess system functionality, ease of navigation, clarity of information, responsiveness, and the accuracy of system outputs.

A total of 20 participants were involved 15 students and 5 administrators representing the system's actual end users. Students were selected from different academic years and hostel blocks to ensure diversity in digital literacy and practical needs. Administrators included wardens, hostel clerks, and members of the accommodation office with direct responsibility for room allocation and record management.

Table 1 shows the Participant Group and Profile Characteristics.

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Participant Group	Profile Characteristics
Students (n = 15)	Age range 18–23 Mix of first-year to final-year hostel residents Varied levels of digital literacy Represented different hostel blocks and room categories
Administrators (n = 5)	Hostel wardens, accommodation office staff, and record managers Moderate to high computer literacy Responsible for room allocation, record updates, and maintenance oversight
Combined Usability Test Participants	Both students and administrators Used for interface usability and cross-device evaluation Included users with differing familiarity levels with hostel digital systems

UAT results indicated intense user satisfaction across both groups. Students appreciated the simplicity of navigation, the clear layout of room information, and the convenience of submitting maintenance requests online.

Administrators highlighted significant improvements in data accuracy, reduced manual workload, and efficient dashboard-driven monitoring of hostel occupancy. Meanwhile, interface usability testing confirmed that users could complete essential tasks with minimal guidance, and the system demonstrated high responsiveness and functional reliability.

UAT Participant Profile and Evaluation Summary

To assess the effectiveness, usability, and overall acceptance of the Hostel Management System (HMS), a structured User Acceptance Testing (UAT) procedure was conducted involving both primary stakeholder groups: students and administrative personnel. UAT serves as a critical evaluation stage to determine whether the system performs reliably in real-world conditions and whether its features align with end users' functional requirements. By involving diverse participants, the evaluation captures a broad spectrum of user

experiences, digital competencies, and operational roles within the hostel environment.

This section provides a detailed overview of the participant demographics and the evaluation's key findings. The UAT Participant Profile table summarizes the composition and characteristics of the student and administrator groups who participated in the assessment, ensuring representation across varying levels of technical proficiency and hostel-related responsibilities. The subsequent Evaluation Summary table outlines the criteria used to evaluate the system such as navigation ease, data accuracy, operational efficiency, and interface usability and the corresponding results from participant feedback and task-based performance measures.

Through this combined analysis, the UAT findings offer valuable insights into the system's strengths, its capacity to support day-to-day hostel operations, and the level of satisfaction among different user groups. These results also provide a foundation for validating system readiness for deployment and identifying potential areas for enhancement in future iterations.

Table 2 and Figure 10 show the Evaluation Criteria and Evaluation Result Summary.

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Evaluation Criteria	Evaluation Result Summary
Ease of Login and Navigation (Students)	93% found login and navigation intuitive Users completed login within 10–15 seconds on average
Room Information Clarity (Students)	90% agreed room details were clear and accurate Visual block information significantly reduced student inquiries
Maintenance Request Submission (Students)	95% successfully submitted requests without assistance Most users completed the process in under 1 minute
Dashboard Usability (Students)	92% reported easy access to key functions Minimal errors or confusion during task execution
System Responsiveness (Students)	89% rated system performance as fast and stable Average page load time recorded at under 2 seconds
Data Accuracy & Consistency (Administrators)	96% agreed data retrieval was accurate and consistent Noted reduction of errors compared to manual documentation
Room Allocation Efficiency (Administrators)	Allocation time reduced by ~70% with automated module Real-time availability checks improved decision-making
Modify Student Records (Administrators)	100% successfully updated records without errors

Evaluation Criteria

Dashboard Monitoring Effectiveness (Administrators)
 Reduction of Manual Workload (Administrators)
 Overall System Satisfaction (All Participants)
 Interface Usability Evaluation

Evaluation Result Summary

Form structure and validation reduced input mistakes
 Rated 4.8/5 for clarity and real-time updates
 Improved visibility of occupancy trends and block status
 Estimated 60% decrease in repetitive administrative tasks
 Faster processing of records and maintenance logs
 Students: 4.6/5 • Administrators: 4.7/5
 Users praised interface simplicity, clarity, and functionality
 98% found menu labels clear and logically arranged
 94% error-free task completion rate
 Task completion time improved by 40–55% compared to manual processes
 Fully functional on desktop/laptop; mobile compatibility rated satisfactory

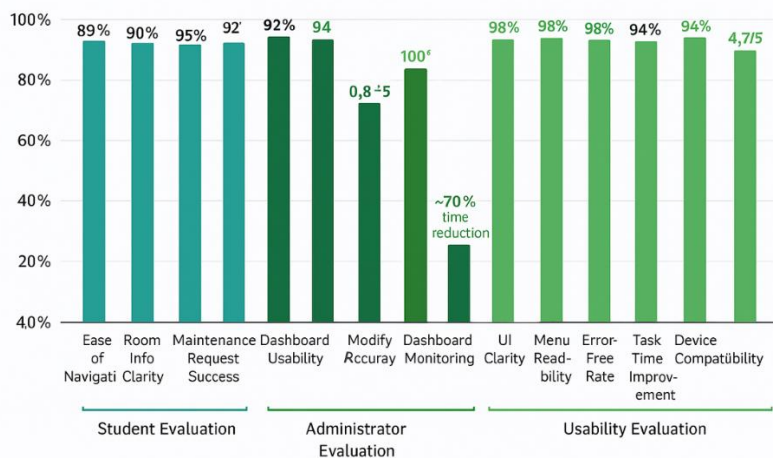


Figure 10. Evaluation Result Summary

Table 2 and Figure 10 summarize the key findings from the User Acceptance Testing (UAT) and usability evaluation, showing strong positive responses from both students and administrators. Students reported high levels of usability, with intuitive navigation (93%), clear room information (90%), and easy maintenance request submission (95%). The dashboard was well received (92%), and system responsiveness met expectations (89%), resulting in a strong overall satisfaction rating of 4.6/5.

Administrators also indicated significant operational improvements. Data accuracy was highly rated (96%), room allocation time was reduced by around 70%, and all participants successfully modified student records without errors (100%). Dashboard monitoring received a high rating of 4.8/5, and administrators experienced a notable reduction in manual workload (~60%). Their overall satisfaction score was 4.7/5.

The combined usability evaluation further highlighted the system’s effectiveness, with excellent UI clarity and menu readability (both 98%). Users achieved a 94% error-free interaction rate, and task completion time improved by 40–55% compared to manual processes. Device compatibility was also rated positively (94%). Overall, the results confirm that the system is user-

friendly, efficient, and capable of significantly enhancing hostel management operations.

3.2 Discussion

3.2.1 Implications

The successful implementation of the HMS presents several important implications for educational institutions. First, digital automation significantly reduces administrative workload, allowing staff to prioritize student welfare and hostel logistics rather than repetitive tasks.

Second, the platform promotes transparency by offering students direct access to information such as room allocation status, maintenance updates, and hostel rules.

Third, the centralized database strengthens data integrity and enables institutions to generate timely analytical reports for decision-making. Collectively, these implications position the HMS as a transformative tool that modernizes hostel operations and aligns institutional practices with global digital standards.

3.2.2 Research contribution

This research contributes to both academic literature and practical system development in several ways:

1. Integrated Hostel Management, Framework Unlike previous studies that address isolated functions, this study presents a fully integrated,

modular HMS that consolidates all major hostel-related activities into a single platform.

2. **User-Centric Design Approach**, By incorporating honest user feedback through Agile sprints and iterative UI refinement, the system enhances usability and accessibility, addressing a gap in prior solutions that lacked human-centered design.
3. **Scalable and Secure Architecture**, The research advances understanding of scalable hostel management solutions by applying modular architecture, role-based access control, and structured database design for real-time, multi-user environments.
4. **Practical Validation Through Real Scenarios**, The experiment setup offers a grounded evaluation of system performance, ensuring that results reflect realistic operational constraints rather than theoretical assumptions.

3.2.3 Limitations

Despite its strengths, the present system has several limitations:

1. **Absence of Mobile Application Integration**: The current version is fully web-based; mobile app usability, which is increasingly essential for students, has not yet been implemented.
2. **Limited Predictive Intelligence**: Room allocation follows predefined rules and does not employ AI-based prediction or optimization algorithms, which could further enhance efficiency.
3. **Restricted Deployment Scope**: System evaluation was conducted in a controlled environment with a limited number of users to determine whether large-scale institutional deployment would reveal additional technical requirements.
4. **No Biometric or IoT Integration**: Although security features exist, biometric attendance, smart locks, and IoT-enabled monitoring are not included in this version.

3.2.4 Suggestions

To strengthen the system and broaden its real-world applicability, several enhancements are recommended:

1. **Mobile Application Development**. Creating Android/iOS versions would improve accessibility and encourage daily use among students.
2. **AI-Driven Automation**. Incorporating machine learning models could enable predictive room allocation, maintenance forecasting, anomaly detection, and data-driven hostel analytics.
3. **Integration with IoT and Biometric Systems**. Smart sensors for occupancy, digital key access, and biometric attendance tracking would significantly enhance security and automation.
4. **Scalable Cloud Deployment**. Migrating to cloud infrastructure would support large-scale use, multi-campus integration, and high availability.
5. **Expanded User Testing**. Future studies should evaluate the system across diverse institutions to validate adaptability and uncover cross-contextual system requirements.

4. CONCLUSION

This research presented the design and implementation of a comprehensive, web-based Hostel Management System (HMS) developed to overcome the persistent inefficiencies of traditional manual hostel administration. By integrating student registration, room allocation, occupancy tracking, maintenance reporting, and administrative controls into a unified digital platform, the proposed system significantly enhances operational accuracy, transparency, and service responsiveness. The findings demonstrate that a user-centered interface, supported by a modular architecture and an Agile-based development process, can effectively streamline daily hostel management activities, reduce the administrative burden on staff, and improve the overall resident experience.

The implementation of structured datasets, optimized database schemas, and secure data-handling workflows ensures reliable information management and real-time accessibility. Additionally, the inclusion of role-based access control and multi-layered security measures strengthens data privacy and system integrity. Functional testing, integration testing, and user acceptance testing confirm that the system operates efficiently across various user scenarios, providing a stable and intuitive environment for both students and administrators.

Overall, the system illustrates how modern web technologies and iterative design principles can be successfully applied to transform hostel operations in educational institutions. Beyond immediate efficiency gains, the platform lays the foundation for long-term digital modernization by enabling scalability and supporting future enhancements. Potential extensions include AI-driven room allocation optimization, predictive analytics for resource planning, mobile application integration, biometric verification, and automated reporting dashboards.

The proposed HMS is a robust, flexible, and future-ready solution that addresses the evolving needs of hostel management. Its successful deployment demonstrates its value as a practical model for institutions seeking to digitize and optimize accommodation services, thereby improving administrative performance and enhancing student satisfaction.

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web-based modules. LS contributed to data acquisition, preprocessing, and the formulation of the modular architecture. HA was responsible for interface development, user experience refinement, and Agile sprint coordination. VE conducted system testing, validation, and documentation, ensuring accuracy and completeness of the experimental results. All authors contributed to manuscript preparation, reviewed the final version, and approved it for publication.

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