Abstract: This research paper aims to investigate the impact of cultural tourism on the economic development of a country. Cultural tourism, defined as tourism centred on cultural attractions and products, has emerged as one of the fastest-growing segments in the tourism industry. It plays a significant role in attracting visitors, generating revenue, and fostering cultural exchange. This study explores the cultural significance of Wau Bulan, a traditional Malaysian kite, as a case study to understand how cultural tourism can contribute to the country’s economic growth. Through an analysis of literature and case studies, the research highlights the various types of Wau Bulan, traditional manufacturing techniques, cultural symbolism, and regional craftsmanship. Additionally, it explores successful cultural tourism approaches implemented in other countries, such as China’s "One Belt, One Road" initiative and Japan’s cherry blossom season. The findings emphasize the importance of preserving cultural heritage, promoting cultural tourism, and harnessing its potential to boost the tourism industry and overall economy. The research concludes by suggesting strategies to further enhance cultural tourism experiences and maximize its benefits for local communities and tourists alike.

Keywords: Conversational agents; Chatbot; Vertical chatbots; Cultural tourism; Wau Bulan

I. INTRODUCTION

In contemporary society, cultural tourism plays a crucial role in stimulating a nation’s economic growth and safeguarding its rich cultural heritage [1]. Cultural tourism, as defined by the UNWTO, refers to tourism that revolves around cultural attractions and products. It has emerged as one of the most rapidly expanding sectors within the tourism industry, contributing to approximately 40% of global tourism activities [2]. Regrettably, certain cultural practices, such as the esteemed art of Wau Bulan, face the risk of being forgotten due to a lack of awareness and insufficient educational endeavors. This research paper aims to underscore the significance of preserving and promoting cultural practices like Wau Bulan as a means to uphold a nation’s cultural diversity and identity. Additionally, it explores the profound impact of cultural tourism in driving economic development and garnering international recognition. To illustrate the potential of cultural tourism, successful approaches implemented by various countries serve as compelling examples. Notably, China’s visionary “One Belt, One Road” initiative, spearheaded by President Xi Jinping in 2013, seeks to revitalize and promote the historical Silk Road, an ancient trade route that facilitated cultural exchange across Eurasia for centuries [3]. This initiative spans across approximately 65 countries and encompasses around 900 projects with a staggering investment volume of 850 billion dollars [4]. By revitalizing the Silk Road through tourism, China has capitalized on its cultural heritage to attract tourists, stimulate economic growth, and strengthen international relations.

Another captivating illustration is the surging popularity of seasonal flower trips observed in different countries. For instance, Japan’s cherry blossom season has become an iconic cultural event, drawing millions of visitors each year to marvel at the fleeting beauty of blooming cherry blossoms [5]. In March and April of 2018, Japan welcomed approximately 5 million tourists from various countries, as reported by Japan’s National Tourism Organization. Out of this number, over 2 million tourists originated from South Korea and China combined. Among visitors from
the western hemisphere, Americans constituted the largest group, with 247,000 tourists during the same period [6]. The Japanese government is leveraging this opportunity to enhance tourism, particularly in less-crowded areas. In a collaborative effort with Instagram, Japan’s national tourism organization launched the #UnknownJapan hashtag campaign in 2018. The campaign encouraged users to share photos of lesser-known locations, resulting in over 5 million foreign visitors sharing their posts [6].

Similarly, countries like the Netherlands have successfully leveraged their resplendent tulip fields, attracting tourists from across the globe to partake in the vibrant spectacle of colorful spring blooms. The Netherlands holds the distinction of being the world’s leading producer of tulip bulbs, with an impressive annual output of 4.2 billion bulbs. Additionally, they export half of this vast production to various destinations around the globe [7]. In the Netherlands, Keukenhof Garden comes alive with the arrival of spring, as seven million flower bulbs are meticulously planted every year. As the last traces of winter fade away, a breathtaking display of colors emerges, featuring stunning rows of reds, oranges, and yellows, boasting an impressive array of 800 tulip varieties among other flowers [7]. These seasonal flower trips not only showcase the nature allure of a region but also provide an avenue to celebrate local traditions and customs.

By recognizing the value of cultural practices like Wau Bulan and comprehending the potential of cultural tourism, concerted efforts can be made to preserve our cultural heritage, foster economic prosperity, and promote international understanding. There should be more research into our cultural heritage [12]. This research delves into the multifaceted benefits of cultural tourism and presents successful examples, such as China’s Silk Road initiative and the allure of seasonal flower trips. Through a comprehensive exploration of these themes, we can collectively raise awareness and ensure the continued flourishing of cultural practice, captivating the imaginations of both local and global audiences.

The remainder of this paper proceeds as follows. In Section 2, we present related areas followed by methodology in Section 3. In Section 4, we present the evaluation of the proposed Wau Bulan chatbot and conclude with some direction for future research in Section 5.

II. RELATED AREAS

Wau Bulan, also known as the Moon Kite, holds immense cultural value in Malaysia, symbolizing the country’s rich heritage and craftsmanship. This traditional Malaysian kite features a unique design and vibrant colors that capture the imagination of both locals and tourists alike. Rooted deeply in Malay culture, Wau Bulan has been passed down through generations as a cherished art form, reflecting the artistic prowess and cultural traditions of the Malay community. The origins of Wau Bulan can be traced back to the East Coast of Peninsular Malaysia, specifically the states of Kelantan and Terengganu. Believed to have been introduced during the Malacca Sultanate era, Wau Bulan has evolved into a beloved cultural icon over the years. Its name, “Wau Bulan”, is derived from the Malay words “Wau”, meaning kite, and “Bulan”, meaning moon, symbolizing the kite’s graceful crescent moon-like shape.

Crafting Wau Bulan is a meticulous process that involves using natural materials like bamboo, rattan, and vibrant silk fabric. Skilled artisans carefully construct the kite’s frame and adorn it with intricate traditional motifs and patterns. These motifs often depict elements from nature, animals, and geometric shapes, representing the cultural heritage and symbolism of the Malay community. Beyond its aesthetic appeal, Wau Bulan holds cultural and spiritual significance. It is believed to bring good fortune, ward off evil spirits, and serve as a medium for spiritual communication. Flying Wau Bulan requires skill, patience, and an understanding of wind patterns, making it a popular recreational activity and a source of pride for Malaysians [8].

In recent years, Wau Bulan has gained international recognition, drawing tourists from around the world who are fascinated by its beauty and cultural significance. Efforts have been made to promote Wau Bulan as part of Malaysia’s cultural tourism offerings, providing visitors with immersive experiences that showcase its artistry and cultural heritage [9]. Cultural tourism plays a vital role in promoting the economic growth and sustainability of a country [10]. It refers to tourism activities that revolve around cultural attractions, heritage sites, traditional arts, and local customs. Cultural tourism offers visitors a unique opportunity to immerse themselves in the rich traditions, history, and artistic expressions of a destination. One of the key benefits of cultural tourism is its contribution to
the local economy. By attracting tourists who are interested in experiencing the cultural aspects of a place, communities can benefit from increased visitor spending on accommodation, food, transportation, souvenirs, and local services. This influx of tourist expenditures can create jobs, support local businesses, and stimulate economic growth in the region. Moreover, cultural tourism fosters cultural preservation and revitalization. When communities realize the value and significance of their cultural heritage, they are motivated to preserve and safeguard their traditions, customs, and artistic expressions. This can lead to the revitalization of traditional crafts, performing arts, festivals, and cultural practices that may have been in decline.

Another important aspect of cultural tourism is its role in fostering intercultural understanding and promoting tolerance. Through interactions with local communities and exposure to diverse cultural practices, visitors gain insights into different ways of life, beliefs, and traditions. This exposure helps break down stereotypes, promotes mutual respect, and encourages dialogue between cultures, contributing to an interconnected and harmonious global society. Furthermore, cultural tourism creates opportunities for community development and empowerment. By showcasing their cultural heritage and talents, communities can gain recognition and pride in their traditions. They can actively participate in tourism initiatives, become cultural ambassadors, and have a voice in shaping the narrative of their heritage. This empowerment enhances community resilience and preserves the authenticity of cultural experiences. However, it is essential to address certain challenges and limitations associated with cultural tourism. Over-commercialization, misrepresentation, and cultural commodification are concerns that need to be managed responsibly. Sustainable tourism practices, community involvement, and ethical considerations should be incorporated to ensure the preservation of cultural integrity and the equitable distribution of benefits among local communities. By embracing technology in promoting cultural tourism, countries can harness its potential to enhance their economies, preserve their cultural treasures, and foster a more inclusive and interconnected world.

Technology has revolutionized the way we experience and engage with cultural tourism. With the advancements in digital technology, mobile applications, virtual reality, and augmented reality, visitors now can explore and interact with cultural attractions in innovative and immersive ways [11]. While technology offers numerous benefits, it is important to strike a balance between technological advancements and the preservation of authentic cultural experiences. Ethical considerations, privacy protection, and the respectful representation of cultural heritage should be prioritized to ensure technology enhances cultural tourism without compromising its integrity. Technology has transformed cultural tourism by providing innovative ways to explore, learn, and engage with cultural attractions. From virtual tours to augmented reality experiences, and mobile applications to user-generated content, technology has enriched the cultural tourism landscape, making it more accessible, interactive, and immersive.

One specific technology to promote cultural tourism is through conversational agents or chatbots [12]. Chatbot development involves the use of various knowledge representation models to capture and store information that the chatbot needs to understand and respond to user queries. Chatbots can be implemented via different types of knowledge representation models such as the rule-based systems, semantic networks, ontologies, knowledge graphs, and machine learning models. Rule-based systems represent knowledge in the form of rules or if-then statements. These rules define the conditions and actions that the chatbot should follow. For example, if a user asks a specific question, the chatbot can have a rule that triggers a specific response. Rule-based systems are relatively simple and easy to implement but may lack flexibility and struggle with complex queries [8].

Semantic networks represent knowledge as a network of interconnected concepts or nodes. Each node represents a concept, and the relationships between nodes represent semantic connections. For example, in a chatbot about animals, nodes can represent different animals, and the relationships can represent their classifications or characteristics. Semantic networks provide a flexible and intuitive way to represent knowledge and capture complex relationships. Meanwhile, ontologies are formal representations of knowledge that define the concepts, relationships, and properties within a domain. They provide a structured and hierarchical framework to organize knowledge. Ontologies use classes, subclasses, and properties to represent knowledge in a standardized and machine-readable format. They enable reasoning and inference capabilities, allowing chatbots to make logical deductions and provide more accurate responses.
Knowledge graphs represent knowledge using a graph structure, consisting of nodes and edges. Nodes represent entities, such as concepts or objects, and edges represent the relationships between them. Knowledge graphs are highly flexible and can capture complex and interconnected knowledge. They enable efficient querying and traversing of information, allowing chatbots to retrieve relevant knowledge quickly. Finally, machine learning models, such as neural networks, can also be used for knowledge representation in chatbots. These models learn patterns and relationships from large amounts of training data and can make predictions or generate responses based on that knowledge. Machine learning models can capture complex patterns and adapt to new information but may require extensive training and data.

The choice of knowledge representation model depends on the complexity of the chatbot’s domain, the available data and resources, and the desired capabilities of the chatbot. Some chatbots may use a combination of these models to leverage their respective strengths and overcome their limitations. Ultimately, the goal is to choose a knowledge representation model that best suits the specific requirements and objectives of the chatbot project. User acceptance and satisfaction with chatbot systems are influenced by various factors that contribute to the overall user experience. Understanding these factors and considering them during the design and development of chatbot systems can contribute to higher user acceptance and satisfaction. By focusing on system functionality, user interface design, NLP capabilities, personalization, response time, error handling, and user trust, chatbot systems can deliver enhanced user experiences and meet user expectations.

III. PROPOSED WAU BULAN CHATBOT

A. Framework

The Wau Bulan Chatbot has been ingeniously brought to life using the powerful and versatile tool, Flow AI. Flow AI is a cutting-edge conversational AI platform that empowers developers and businesses to create intelligent and interactive chatbots with ease. With its user-friendly interface and robust capabilities, Flow AI has become a leading choice for crafting dynamic and engaging conversational experiences. At its core, Flow AI operates on natural language processing (NLP) and machine learning algorithms, enabling the chatbot to understand and interpret user inputs in real time. This advanced NLP technology enables the Wau Bulan Chatbot to comprehend various phrasings, intents, and user queries, providing a seamless and human-like interaction. Moreover, Flow AI’s machine learning capabilities allow the chatbot to learn and improve over time, becoming more proficient in its responses as it gathers data from user interactions.

One of the significant benefits of Flow AI is its versatility in integration. It seamlessly integrates with various messaging platforms, social media, websites, and mobile applications, making it a versatile tool for reaching audiences across different channels. This adaptability allows the Wau Bulan Chatbot to cater to users on their preferred platforms, maximizing accessibility and user engagement. The flexibility of Flow AI is further amplified through its ability to handle complex dialogues and multi-turn conversations. The chatbot can retain context across interactions, providing more personalized and contextually relevant responses. This feature is particularly valuable in the context of the Wau Bulan Chatbot, as it allows users to delve into various aspects of Wau Bulan without losing track of the conversation.

In addition to its technical capabilities, Flow AI offers a rich set of features to enhance the chatbot’s functionality. For instance, the tool provides a variety of response types, including text, images, buttons, and quick replies, enabling the Wau Bulan Chatbot to deliver engaging and visually appealing content. It also allows for the integration of external APIs, facilitating the retrieval of real-time information and enriching the user experience. The ease of use and intuitive nature of Flow AI has streamlined the development process of the Wau Bulan Chatbot. Its visual editor and drag-and-drop functionality make it accessible even to those without extensive programming knowledge. This efficiency has not only reduced development time but has also facilitated agile iterations and updates to continually improve the chatbot’s performance. The chatbot algorithm flow created with Flow AI is depicted in Figure 1.
B. Semantic Network

The knowledge representation model chosen for this educational AI chatbot is a semantic network. A semantic network is a graphical representation of knowledge that uses nodes (concepts) and links (relationships) to organize and represent information in a meaningful way. In the context of the Wau Bulan educational chatbot, a semantic network offers several benefits that make it the most suitable knowledge model for this specific application:

1) Conceptual Clarity

Semantic networks excel at representing knowledge in a clear and organized manner. For a complex topic like Wau Bulan, which involves various aspects such as history, types, cultural significance, materials, techniques, and more, a semantic network helps break down the information into well-defined concepts and their relationships.

2) Flexibility and Scalability

As the chatbot’s knowledge base grows over time with new information and user interactions, a semantic network can easily accommodate new nodes and links without compromising the overall structure. This flexibility allows the chatbot to expand its knowledge and remain up-to-date.

3) Efficient Information Retrieval

Semantic networks enable efficient information retrieval based on the relationships between nodes. When a user asks a question about a specific aspect of Wau Bulan, the chatbot can quickly navigate the network to find related concepts and provide comprehensive answers.

4) Visual Representation

The graphical nature of semantic networks allows developers to create visual representations of the knowledge structure. This visual representation can be integrated into the chatbot’s interface, making the learning experience more interactive and visually appealing for users.

5) Facilitating Inference
The knowledge represented in a semantic network can be used to infer new information based on existing relationships. This capability can enhance the chatbot’s ability to answer complex questions and provide insightful explanations. The semantic network for the proposed chatbot is shown in Figure 2.

![Figure 2 Semantic network for Wau Bulan.](image)

C. **Prototype**

In our endeavor to create an enriching and immersive experience for users, we have invested considerable efforts in crafting a captivating and endearing avatar of Wau Bulan (as shown in Figure 3). Drawing inspiration from the intricate and awe-inspiring beauty of the traditional Malaysian kite, this cute and visually appealing character was meticulously designed to embody the essence of Wau Bulan’s cultural significance. With its striking resemblance to the real-life Wau Bulan, the chatbot’s avatar serves as a delightful representation of the traditional craft. Its colorful and intricately detailed features not only catch the eye but also evoke a sense of curiosity and wonder among users, urging them to engage further in exploring the world of Wau Bulan. The decision to incorporate this charming avatar into the Wau Bulan chatbot was driven by our aim to create a seamless bridge between cultural heritage and modern technology. By personifying Wau Bulan through this virtual character, we hope to establish a stronger emotional connection with users and ignite their curiosity to delve deeper into the historical and cultural significance of this traditional art form.

![Figure 3 Wau Bulan Avatar.](image)

Moreover, the Wau Bulan avatar serves as an amiable and approachable guide, making the learning process about Wau Bulan more enjoyable and interactive. Users are more likely to relate to and feel comfortable interacting with the friendly avatar, fostering a user-friendly environment that encourages them to ask questions, seek information, and gain insights into the world of Wau Bulan. By leveraging this innovative approach, we aim to kindle a genuine interest in Wau Bulan, not only among those familiar with the cultural heritage but also among newcomers seeking to learn about this unique art form. Through the personable and visually enchanting avatar, we envision creating an
inclusive and dynamic platform that celebrates the legacy of Wau Bulan and inspires users to discover the beauty and artistry woven into its history.

The Wau Bulan chatbot is designed to offer a personalized and interactive experience for users by presenting them with a carefully curated set of questions encompassing a wide range of topics. Through this approach, the chatbot aims to engage users and facilitate meaningful conversations based on their individual interests and preferences. By providing a diverse array of questions, the chatbot ensures that users can easily find relevant and engaging content, making the interaction more enjoyable and valuable. This user-centric approach not only enhances the overall user experience but also allows the chatbot to cater to a broader audience, accommodating various preferences and knowledge levels. Moreover, the curated set of questions helps guide users through the conversation, enabling them to explore different aspects of the topic and receive comprehensive information as shown in Figure 4. In doing so, the chatbot fosters a deeper level of user engagement, fostering a positive and satisfying experience for each user.

The chatbot will prompt the user to enter any specific questions they have about Wau Bulan. If the user enters "type," the system will respond by displaying a list of different types of Wau Bulan along with relevant pictures (as shown in Figure 5). The user will then have the option to click on any item in the list. When the user selects a particular type from the list, the chatbot’s algorithm will trigger the appropriate action to dynamically display a description of the selected Wau Bulan type (as shown in Figure 6). This dynamic description will provide the user with detailed information about the chosen type, enhancing their understanding and knowledge of Wau Bulan. By offering users the ability to interact with the chatbot through specific prompts and visual aids, the chatbot facilitates a seamless and informative experience. Users can easily explore various types of Wau Bulan and obtain tailored responses based on their selections, ensuring a more engaging and enjoyable learning process.

![Figure 4 List of topics to choose from.](image)

![Figure 5 Chatbot responses.](image)
Once the user sends the message “bye”, the chatbot will recognize this as a signal to end the conversation. In response, the chatbot will send a farewell message like “Wishing you a great day! Take care!” to acknowledge the user’s intention to end the interaction (as shown in Figure 6).

![Wishing you a great day! Take care!](image)

**Figure 6** Concluding response.

Moreover, the chatbot will perform a context and state reset, ensuring that any ongoing conversation history or data related to the user’s current session is cleared. This reset helps in preparing the chatbot for future interactions, allowing it to start fresh with a new user and avoid any potential carryover of irrelevant information. The chatbot maintains a clean and efficient communication process with users by resetting the context and states after each session, promoting a better user experience, and preventing confusion caused by lingering information from previous interactions.

IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In order to evaluate the performance of the developed Wau Bulan chatbot, a User Acceptance Test (UAT) is carried out.

A. User Acceptance Testing

A simple questionnaire consisting of approximately 10 questions was developed and administered to a sample of 15 individuals. The main objective of the questionnaire was to gain insights into users’ perceptions and opinions regarding the system. By gathering their feedback, we aimed to understand their overall satisfaction with the system, identify areas for improvement, and gather suggestions for future enhancements.

The questionnaire covered various aspects of the system, including ease of use, accuracy of responses, accomplishment of tasks, overall satisfaction, technical issues encountered, effectiveness in understanding user inputs, meeting expectations, information accessibility, likelihood of recommendation, and opportunities for improvement. The questions included in the questionnaire are as follows:

1. How would you rate the overall ease of use of the system?
2. How accurate were the responses provided by the system?
3. To what extent did the system help you accomplish your tasks effectively?
4. How satisfied are you with the system overall?
5. Did you encounter any technical issues or difficulties while using the system?
6. How well did the system understand your inputs and provide relevant responses?
7. Did the system meet your expectations in terms of functionality and performance?
8. How easily accessible was the information provided by the system?
9. How likely are you to recommend the system to others?
10. Do you have any suggestions or feedback for improving the system?
For each question, participants were asked to rate their response on a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 indicating the highest level of agreement, satisfaction, or accuracy. The questionnaire aimed to gather insights on various aspects of the system’s usability, performance, and user satisfaction, as well as provide an opportunity for participants to share their suggestions and feedback for improvement.

B. Analysis of Results

Through the questionnaire, we sought to gather valuable insights from users to evaluate the system’s performance, identify any potential usability issues or areas requiring enhancement, and gain a deeper understanding of user perspectives. By analyzing the responses and feedback received, we can make informed decisions to improve the system and ensure it aligns with user expectations and requirements. It is important to note that the questionnaire was administered to a small sample size of 15 individuals. While this provides valuable initial feedback, it may not represent the views of the entire user population. Nonetheless, the insights gathered from this questionnaire will serve as a valuable starting point for further evaluation and refinement of the system.

Overall, the questionnaire played a crucial role in gathering user feedback, enabling us to assess user perceptions, and providing valuable insights for the ongoing improvement of the system’s usability and functionality. Table 1 summarizes the responses from the questionnaire.

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V. DISCUSSIONS AND CONCLUSIONS

While chatbot technology holds great potential for enhancing cultural tourism experiences, it is important to acknowledge certain limitations that exist in the current research and chatbot implementations. These limitations include:

- **Natural Language Processing (NLP) Challenges**: Chatbots heavily rely on NLP algorithms to understand and generate human-like responses. However, NLP algorithms may face challenges in accurately interpreting complex or ambiguous user queries, especially when it comes to understanding cultural nuances, idioms, or slang. Improving the NLP capabilities of chatbots is an ongoing area of research.

- **Contextual Understanding**: Chatbots may struggle to maintain a contextual understanding of the conversation, particularly in cases where the user provides incomplete or fragmented information. This can lead to misinterpretation or inadequate responses. Advancements in context-aware algorithms and dialogue management techniques are needed to enhance the chatbot’s ability to understand and respond appropriately.

- **Limited Domain Expertise**: Chatbots are typically designed to provide general information and assistance across a wide range of topics. However, when it comes to specialized cultural knowledge or in-depth expertise on specific destinations, attractions, or cultural practices, chatbots may fall short. Incorporating domain-specific knowledge and expertise into chatbot systems can be a challenge and requires continuous updates and maintenance.

- **User Adaptability and Expectations**: Users may have varying levels of comfort and familiarity with chatbot interactions. Some users may prefer more conversational and interactive experiences, while others may find such interactions impersonal or frustrating. Balancing user expectations and preferences while ensuring the chatbot remains functional and effective is a delicate task.
• **Ethical Considerations**: As chatbots become more advanced and capable of human-like interactions, ethical concerns arise. Issues such as privacy, data security, and algorithmic biases need to be carefully addressed to ensure user trust and protect sensitive information.

It is crucial to acknowledge these limitations and actively work towards addressing them in future research and chatbot development efforts. By recognizing and addressing these challenges, we can strive to create more sophisticated and user-friendly chatbot systems that deliver meaningful and immersive cultural tourism experiences. Successful cultural tourism initiatives using chatbot technology have implemented personalized recommendations, virtual tours, and interactive storytelling. However, limitations exist in natural language and contextual understanding, domain expertise, and user adaptability. Ethical considerations like privacy and data security should also be addressed. These findings provide valuable insights for further research and implementation in the intersection of cultural tourism and chatbot technology.

In conclusion, this article has explored the fascinating world of Wau Bulan, shedding light on its cultural significance, craftsmanship, and potential for cultural tourism. Through the development of the Wau Bulan Chatbot and the integration of AI technology, we have demonstrated the power of chatbots in promoting engagement, education, and accessibility to Wau Bulan. However, it is important to acknowledge the limitations of the current system. While the Wau Bulan Chatbot provides valuable information and interaction, it is subject to the limitations of its knowledge base. Users have expressed the desire for the system to contain even more comprehensive knowledge about Wau Bulan, including additional types, techniques, legends, and regional variations. This feedback highlights the need for ongoing updates and expansions to ensure that the chatbot remains a valuable resource for users seeking in-depth information on Wau Bulan.

Furthermore, the success of cultural tourism initiatives, such as the promotion of Wau Bulan, relies heavily on collaboration and support from various stakeholders. It requires active participation from government bodies, tourism organizations, artisans, local communities, and individuals passionate about preserving and promoting cultural heritage. Only through collective efforts can we maximize the potential of Wau Bulan as a cultural tourism attraction and contribute to the sustainable development of the tourism industry. As we move forward, it is essential to continue exploring innovative approaches and technologies that can enhance the user experience and broaden the reach of Wau Bulan. This includes integrating virtual reality (VR) or augmented reality (AR) elements to provide users with immersive and interactive encounters with Wau Bulan. Additionally, efforts should be made to ensure the availability of multilingual support to cater to a diverse range of users and expand the accessibility of the chatbot to a global audience.

In conclusion, while the Wau Bulan Chatbot has made significant strides in promoting cultural awareness and engagement with Wau Bulan, there is still room for growth and improvement. By addressing the limitations and incorporating user feedback, we can continue to refine the system, expand its knowledge base, and provide an enriching experience for users interested in exploring the wonders of Wau Bulan. Through continuous collaboration and innovation, we can ensure the preservation, appreciation, and promotion of Wau Bulan for generations to come.

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