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## RESEARCH INTEREST:

I am interested in novel materials and processes to address the current challenges in water-energy-nexus and public health protection. I want to explore further advanced materials development, innovative water, and wastewater treatment technologies. I am also interested in evaluating a material or treatment technology using the Life Cycle Assessment approach to understand the overall sustainability of a product or a system. I am keen to undertake studies that embrace multidisciplinary approaches with the academia-industry interface.

## EDUCATION:

**Ph.D.**, Department of Civil Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur (IIT Kgp), India, July 2015 – April 2021. **9.21/10 (in course work)**

**Thesis Title:** “*Analysis and modeling of organics and ammonia removal from landfill leachate by electro-oxidation*”.

**Masters (M. E.)**, Department of Civil Engineering, Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology, Shibpur (IEST), India, July 2013 – June 2015. **CGPA/Marks: 86%**

**Thesis Title:** “*Studies on different treatment technologies of solvent, lubricant oil & mobil, emulsifier containing wastewater and composite wastewater coming out from a drum cleaning and reconditioning industry*”.

**Under-graduation (B. Tech)**, Department of Civil Engineering, West Bengal University of Technology, West Bengal, India, August 2009 – June 2013. **CGPA/Marks: 9.16 out of 10**

## PUBLICATION:

1. **Mandal, P.**, Dubey, B.K., Gupta A.K., 2017. Review on landfill leachate treatment by electrochemical oxidation: Drawbacks, challenges and future scope. *Waste Management*, 69, 250–273. **(IF: 7.145)**
2. **Mandal, P.**, Gupta A.K., Dubey, B.K., 2018. A novel approach towards multivariate optimization of graphite/PbO<sub>2</sub> anode synthesis conditions: Insight into its enhanced oxidation ability and physicochemical characteristics. *Journal of Environmental Chemical Engineering*, 6, 4438–4451. **(IF: 5.909)**

3. **Mandal, P.**, Gupta A.K., Dubey, B.K., 2020. Synthesis of graphite/PbO<sub>2</sub> anode: electrodeposition process modeling for improved landfill leachate treatment using RSM and ANN approach. *International Journal of Environmental Science and Technology*, 17, 1947–1962. (IF: 2.86)
4. **Mandal, P.**, Gupta A.K., Dubey, B.K., 2020. Role of inorganic anions on the performance of landfill leachate treatment by electrochemical oxidation using graphite/PbO<sub>2</sub> electrode. *Journal of Water Process Engineering*, 33, 101119. (IF: 5.485)
5. **Mandal, P.**, Yadav, M.K., Gupta A.K., Dubey, B.K., 2020. Chlorine mediated indirect electro-oxidation of ammonia using non-active PbO<sub>2</sub> anode: influencing parameters and mechanism identification. *Separation and Purification Technology*, 247, 116910. (IF: 7.312)
6. **Mandal, P.**, Gupta A.K., Dubey, B.K., 2020. A review on presence, survival, disinfection/removal methods of coronavirus in wastewater and progress of wastewater-based epidemiology. *Journal of Environmental Chemical Engineering*, 8, 104317. (IF: 5.909)
7. **Mandal, P.**, Gupta, A.K., Dubey, B.K., 2019. Modeling of effect of electrodeposition parameters of a graphite/PbO<sub>2</sub> anode on 2,4-dinitrophenol removal efficiency: Comparison between RSM and ANN, Presented at 2019 ACS meeting (*Chemistry for the New Frontiers*) at Orlando, Florida, USA. Published Abstract (ENVR 577)

#### CONFERENCE PRESENTATION:

1. **Mandal, P.**, Gupta, A.K., Dubey, B.K., 2020. Scaled-up treatment of landfill leachate by advanced oxidation processes: A short review. *Water, Energy, and Environmental Sustainability 2020 (WEES 2020)*, NIT Durgapur, India, from January 13-15, 2020.
2. **Mandal, P.**, Gupta, A.K., Dubey, B.K., 2019. Modeling of effect of electrodeposition parameters of a graphite/PbO<sub>2</sub> anode on 2,4-dinitrophenol removal efficiency: Comparison between RSM and ANN. *ACS meeting (Chemistry for the New Frontiers)*, Orlando, Florida, USA, from March 28-April 4, 2019.
3. **Mandal, P.**, Bandyopadhyay, P., 2015. Performance Evaluation of a Drum Cleaning and Reconditioning Industry Effluent Treatment Plant at Howrah (West Bengal, India). *Indian Water Works Association (Sustainable Technology Solutions for Water Management)*, from January 30-February 1, 2015.

#### TECHNICAL EXPERTISE:

- **Material synthesis:** Development of PbO<sub>2</sub> coating onto graphite substrate by electrodeposition method for application in wastewater treatment
- **Material characterization techniques:** 3D optical microscope, AFM, CV, LSV, FTIR, Raman spectroscopy, SEM, XPS, and XRD
- **Instrument hands-on:** TOC, IC, AAS, UV-VIS Spectrophotometer, and Fluorescence Spectrophotometer
- **Design and operation:** Experimental design, designing and fabrication of batch and continuous-scale reactors; monitoring, maintenance, and control of continuous wastewater treatment system

- **Life cycle assessment:** SimaPro

#### TRAINING/WORKSHOP/SHORT-COURSES

- Successfully participated in the national seminar on “**Real Estate Boom-Supplementary and Complementary Infrastructure-Water Supply, Sanitation, Environment, Services, and Social Perceptions**” held on February 21, 2015, at Institute of Public Health Engineering auditorium Salt Lake, Kolkata.
- Successfully completed the Massive Open Online Course on “**Municipal Solid Waste Management in Developing Countries**” offered by Sandec/Eawag.
- Successfully participated in the short term course on “**Introduction to Life Cycle Assessment**” held on September 14-16, 2016, at IIT Kharagpur.
- Successfully participated in the GIAN course on “**Urban Water and Wastewater Management**” for India held on April 30-May 4, 2018, at IIT Kharagpur.
- Successfully completed the webinar on “**Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) in Municipal Solid Waste and Landfill Leachate**” held on May 9, 2018 offered by National Waste and Recycling Association.
- Successfully completed the webinar on “**Innovative TOC parameter attracting many applications**” held on December 16, 2020 offered by SWAN analytical instruments.

#### AWARDS/FELLOWSHIPS/TRAVEL GRANT:

- Received financial support for presenting paper at national meeting of ACS (*Chemistry for the New Frontiers*), Orlando, Florida, USA from IIT Kgp, India (March 28-April 4, 2019).
- Received Ph.D. fellowship from Ministry of Human Resource and Development (MHRD), through IIT Kgp, India (2015 – 2020).
- Received M.E. fellowship from Ministry of Human Resource and Development (MHRD), through IEST, Shibpur, India (2013 – 2015).

#### WORK EXPERIENCE AS TEACHING ASSISTANT

- Worked as **Teaching Assistant** for the NPTEL online certification course "Life Cycle Assessment"
- Worked as **Teaching Assistant** for the NPTEL online certification course "Sustainable Engineering Concepts And Life Cycle Analysis"
- Worked as **Teaching Assistant** for the NPTEL online certification course "Electronic Waste Management-Issues And Challenges"

#### WORK EXPERIENCE AS FACULTY

- Temporary Faculty, Department of Civil Engineering, National Institute of Technology, Mizoram (August 2021-till now)

#### ACADEMIC REFEREES:

1. Prof. Ashok Kumar Gupta

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**DECLARATION:**

I do hereby declare that the above information is true to the best of my knowledge.



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