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This is to confirm that the article entitled “**Influence of physical inactivity on stress, anxiety and depression during novel COVID-19 in India: A survey**” submitted to the *Indian Journal of Medical Ethics* is original and has been co-authored by the undersigned.

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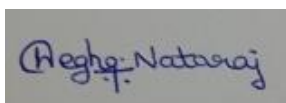
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