The year 2020 was awfully nice. Starting from January, in the second week it was my JEE paper which did not go very well. I was depressed still kept preparing for the April one. The corona pandemic, epidemic at that time, had broken out in China. Towards the end of February, it became a pandemic and affected a lot of people. In India too, it grew exponentially after March and the JEE exam cancelled. I had it in my bucket list to go for a tour after our JEE exam but the pandemic has poured water over my plans. Nevertheless, the preparation went on. By June, it had become quite boring to be locked up in our houses, but there was nothing else we could have done.

It was really sad to wake up and hear about people suffering and dying in masses. We lost so many legends of our bollywood industry. Moreover, my grandmother died during lockdown and we couldn’t visit her.

In August, the dates for JEE exam have been announced. It was nice to hear because it was becoming a burden now. The bad thing was, I got my exam center in Bengaluru, so I had to travel to Bengaluru from UP, which was not really safe. As the saying goes, All is well that ends well, I cracked JEE without being admitted to AIIMS (because of the pandemic).

Coming to the good things about this year, my family is together for six or seven months, which happens very rarely for even half a month. We used to watch movies daily, play cards and did a lot of things together. A lot of unusual things happened this year. It hailed heavily in my city. It was frightening that time. Apart from this only I and my brother went to Bengaluru. So, we started to learn cooking. After my entrance exams ended, we stayed in Bengaluru for about two weeks. In that time, I started learning Spanish and playing Ukulele. We returned home at the end of October. We celebrated Diwali following the guidelines against the pandemic. In December, my institute opened up, and by now I am not able to get used to the schedule.

At the end of the year, a new strain of Corona virus has been discovered, which is, as said by experts, more contagious than COVID – 19 virus. Ending it, I would say, 2020 was a usually unusual year.