

## **IDEA 1**

### **Misinformation spread during COVID-19**

- What you want to do?

I want to research about the spread of misinformation during COVID19 on social media and its effect on the people. I want to know how it changed the perception of people and how did that affect health care professionals who were sacrificing their own safety for treating people.

- Why should we care?

Almost all of us would have come across misinformation about COVID on social media. Some of the examples were about how masks do not protect us from COVID, eating certain food to cure COVID etc. Even the former president of the country told people to drink bleach to prevent the spread of COVID and research shows that some people actually tried that and put their lives at risk. So, I would like to use this opportunity to research and see if I can reduce the spread of such information.

- Keywords – COVID, COVID-19, Vaccine, FakeNews, Pfizer, Misinformation, Disinformation, Food to prevent COVID, ginger, turmeric, bleach.

## **IDEA 2**

### **Effect of hateful content/bullying on teenagers and young adults**

- What you want to do?

Internet bullying/Cyberbullying has become increasingly common, especially among teenagers, as the digital sphere has expanded, and technology has advanced. We have seen many teenagers being subjected to depression or even committing suicide because of this. There is an immediate need to protect teens and young adult from this form of abuse. I would like to explore the source of this issue and see if I can come with some solutions to prevent this abuse through my research.

- Why should we care?

Majority of our teenagers and young adults are being subjected to this abuse. Almost all of us have access to social media, so it is difficult for parents to protect their children. Social media does have its advantages, but the power of anonymity on certain platforms comes with a cost.

- Keywords – Cyberbullying, teenagers, young adults, depression, suicide, prevention, abuse.