

DORA office organized a virtual session for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year PG students in the School of Chemical Sciences, IIT Mandi on **25<sup>th</sup> March 2023** at **9 AM onwards (IST)**. **Mr. Deepak Kumar** was the speaker for the session. He guided and counsel M.Sc. Chemistry students in finding the right lab and how to plan and work during the master's program.

Mr. Deepak did his MSc in Chemistry from IIT Mandi in 2017 and later got an Erasmus Mundus master scholarship to pursue a second master's in "Theoretical Chemistry and Computational Modelling" at the University of Valencia, Spain. Furthermore, he recently obtained his doctorate degree from Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany and joined as a post-doctoral researcher at the Western University of Health Sciences, California, USA.

In the past few years, Mr. Deepak helped and assisted several juniors from IIT Mandi in finding Ph.D. positions in India and abroad. He is helping the master students of IIT Mandi in knowing about the prospects and opportunities of a Ph.D. in India and Abroad and supporting his Alma Mater in such a way.