

A Memorable Message

That was a snowy morning in Chicago and I was still on my bed thinking about how everything in the world came to a total pause. Whether you are a kid or an adult, whether you are rich or poor or a man or a woman , every one is impacted. And you guessed it right, I was thinking of the Coronavirus pandemic and how several countries are under lockdown.

I was so deep in my thoughts that I didn't hear my phone ring. Hooked on to my thoughts I was laser focused on the stats that I saw on tv the night before. I was running a few models on the data gathered around the infected people to see if I can find any patterns. I was engrossed in my analysis and the phone rang again. This time I got distracted by the ring and I went to answer my phone. By the time I tried to get to my phone the ring stopped and I got a voice message.

I played the message and I couldn't believe myself. I thought I was dreaming or hallucinating. I replayed the message a few times. The message said "Hello Dr. Abhi, this is Einstein calling. We need you to join us for a news conference tomorrow to help explain the pattern of infection spread and help us flatten the curve . Please call me back to discuss how you can help us. Bye."

I heard that Einstein and other renowned scientists are forming a team and are looking for young and innovative researchers to help them think out of the box and come with a solution for this pandemic. I was really honored and excited to hear from Einstein and also on my toes to rise up to his expectations. I thought I had an opportunity to help my fellow citizens and I was ready to help in anyway I can. I gathered my research analysis and gave a call back to my favorite scientist of all times, Albert Einstein!