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IIT (ISM) Dhanbad Scholar Secures Prestigious IndiaAI PhD Fellowship

The Indian Institute of Technology (Indian School of Mines) proudly announces that **Priya Kumari**, a first-year PhD scholar in the Department of Chemistry and Chemical Biology, has been awarded the **prestigious IndiaAI PhD Fellowship**, instituted by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India.

Priya Kumari is pursuing her doctoral research under the supervision of **Prof. Madhulika Gupta**. She is among only **100 candidates nationwide** selected for this flagship fellowship, which provides comprehensive support to researchers in the cutting-edge fields of **Artificial Intelligence (AI)** and **Machine Learning (ML)**.

The **IndiaAI PhD Fellowship**, part of the Government of India's **IndiaAI Mission**, is designed to nurture promising scholars, provide access to state-of-the-art computational infrastructure, and facilitate expert mentorship. The initiative aims to strengthen India's position as a **global leader in artificial intelligence research and innovation**. Expressing pride in her achievement, Prof. Madhulika Gupta said, *"Priya's selection for this highly competitive fellowship is a testament to her dedication and the growing impact of interdisciplinary research at IIT (ISM)."*

With this fellowship, Priya Kumari will gain access to resources and mentorship that will significantly strengthen her research in AI-driven solutions, opening pathways for impactful contributions in science and technology.

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