



#AllCovidsMatter gains steam amid latest wave

OMICRONNED CORRESPONDENT

As everyone and their grandchildren are getting infected with the Omicron variant to the extent that news of someone getting infected is no longer surprising, a new movement called "#AllCovidsMatter" has gained traction on social media.

Satireday understands the hashtag was started by a group of people who were feeling sorry for themselves after contracting Covid as they did not get the same attention or pity enjoyed by others who had been infected with more "dangerous" strains.

"I have been most careful, and most sensitive too, these past two years," a Twitter user who used the hashtag, told Satireday.

"I have avoided the virus like the plague and was successful in doing so during Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta, Theta, Meta... shetai. Also, when I heard that someone I knew had become infected, I called that person up and asked about how they were, who they

were in contact with.

"Man, the mental energy I had to expend to tactfully try and figure out if the infected person met anyone who I also met over the preceding week... it was an exhausting two years," the Twitter user who goes by the handle @pandemicproof said.

He added that each time, in private, he also used to talk about how careless that person must have been to contract Covid in the first place.

Now, however, @pandemicproof has been infected with the Omicron variant of Covid.

"Am I getting the same attention? No. Are people calling me up to ask how I am or who I came into contact with? No. Are they badmouthing me behind my back for being careless? NO!"

Another user who calls herself @modeemployee was shocked that she actually developed symptoms.

"My boss told me not to worry... he asked me to keep coming to work because everyone will get Omicron now and the symptoms will be milder

than the flu. He said something about endemic not pandemic. And I believe my boss; he has given me valuable advice on every aspect of my life," @modeemployee told this page.

"But then, I had 104 fever for two days straight. I had the most ludicrous visions... in the most ludicrous of these deliriums, my boss was not right about what he said about Omicron. In the morning, I argued with my Covid positive test report, telling it repeatedly that I could not be positive since I had more than a mild flu.

"Slowly, however, I accepted that I do have Covid and it is most likely Omicron. But my boss keeps asking me when I will resume work... it's like my experience doesn't matter. But I know now that #AllCovidsMatter."

Another hashtagger who shall not be named due to reasons that will soon become apparent, said, "Like most upstanding citizens, I had diligently avoided getting infected. I used to wear PPE to the supermarket and to movie theatres, ignoring the stares. I was

accused of Covid theatre in the movie theatre, but I didn't care.

"I used to pick fights with pharmacists who did not wear masks even at the height of the Delta outbreak. On the other hand, I was always sympathetic towards my friends who were infected. In the early days, I drove the empty streets to deliver vital supplies to friends amid the lockdown.

"But now, no one cares that I am sick. One of my friends told me the other day, 'Dude you are lucky you got infected now; you would have been done and dusted if you got Delta, like I did'.

"So, basically, I have had enough. If my infection doesn't matter, then that's that. Over the past two days, I have been going around the city, entering supermarkets without a mask, because who cares, right? Also, I have been spending a lot of time in pharmacies."

British environmentalist shocked to find Desi wife's plastic bag stash

RECYCLING CORRESPONDENT

British environmentalist Dr Susten Abeel was left utterly shocked to find a stash of plastic shopping bags in his new wife Sonali Roy's closet.

And like any other normal human being, Dr Susten took to social media page LoudAF Curry Traits to share the little story, complete with a photo of his wife's stash, which she guards with her life and replenishes regularly after every grocery run.

The post went viral immediately and Susten's wife, who is also on the platform, received an outpouring of support from the greater desi diaspora.



"You go girl. I have a curated collection of Smucker's bottles for my masala," said one user.

"I have two drawers full of shopping bags -- one is for regular use like if I have to carry my shoes or wet clothes from the gym or something and I have another drawer

with the nicer bags, for sending gifts and other stuff to people," said another social media user.

"You know you are desi when you refuse to throw away almost empty shampoo bottles and rinse it out with water for a good two to three more uses. My extremely white husband does not understand it. I do not blame him. Us desis have basically been recycling way before it became cool," said one lady who even tagged Dr Susten in her comments.

This article had to be cut short because this correspondent too got all caught up in the social media war which was continuing when this report was filed at 8:30pm on Friday.

Panic as users getting notified of all Messenger screenshots ever

NERVOUS CORRESPONDENT

Thousands of people have thrown away their smartphones in utter panic after news broke that users were getting notifications of every screenshot that was ever taken of their Facebook Messenger conversations.

It has been learnt that this development was actually unintentional as Facebook and Meta CEO Mark Zuckerberg had originally planned on introducing a feature that would notify users every time a new screenshot was taken; not every screenshot that had been taken in history.

This correspondent also learnt that Zuckerberg took this initiative after screenshots of a chat where he confessed to being a wonky attempt at a human-like android started doing the rounds on social media.

Back to the widespread panic, phones of millions of people around the world started pinging non-stop on Friday night, and they soon realised that these were notifications of when their friends, family and co-workers screenshots their conversations on Messenger.

A person who threw away her phone and so was reduced to using a landline for the first time in 15 years told Satireday: "At first I was infuriated that so many of my heartfelt messages about my trials in life were screenshots by my friends. I immediately thought about calling them to accuse them of adding to my tribulations, but then I realised that they must have also gotten notified of the hundreds of screenshots I took of our conversations, when I thought that they were trying to out-harden me. I shared those screenshots with so many people."

Another person who begged not to be named, said, "This was my main claim to fame. I used to talk to weirdos, take screenshots of their conversations and send to my friends for laughs. Now what am I going to do? And what if the 'screenshot victims' come after me now? Does Zuckerberg want the world to burn? He does? Well done then... he has ensured that there is no privacy anymore."

