

Authors Meet Session – Captain Beetashok Chatterjee

DPS Sector 45, Gurgaon, had the privilege of hosting a fascinating interactive session for the students of Class IX on 11th December 2024 with Captain Beetashok Chatterjee, a seasoned mariner and celebrated author. With a remarkable career spanning 45 years in the merchant navy, Captain Chatterjee enthralled the audience with anecdotes from his life at sea and insights into his literary pursuits.

The session began with Captain Chatterjee sharing his maritime experiences, shedding light on the complexities and ethical dimensions of a career in the merchant navy. He discussed the challenges of navigating the high seas amidst an ever-changing global environment.

Captain Chatterjee delved into excerpts from his notable works, including *Mayday – An Exploration of World's Greatest Maritime Disasters*, *The People Tree*, and *Wind Chimes by the Sea*. His storytelling transported the students into the heart of maritime adventures, inspiring awe and curiosity.

In addition to narrating sea tales, Captain Chatterjee offered valuable advice to aspiring writers. He emphasised the importance of reading over passive activities such as watching television or scrolling through social media, as reading nurtures creativity and reflection.

The students were deeply engaged, posing thoughtful questions and participating actively throughout the session. Captain Chatterjee's vivid descriptions of life at sea and his literary insights left a lasting impression on the young minds.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks, as students and faculty alike expressed their gratitude for Captain Chatterjee's enriching and inspiring visit. The session not only broadened the students' horizons about maritime careers but also ignited their enthusiasm for reading and writing.



