

Report on Passing out parade & Prize distribution Function of DNS-Batch 5 and GME-Batch 7 of Anglo Eastern Maritime Training Centre



Best Cadet Award

One of the most eagerly awaited events that comes only once in the entire training period and general life of any cadet, is the day when he passes out with flying colors of graduation. This auspicious day of the passing out parade, with soaring elation in his heart and soul reminding him constantly of the trials and tribulations that he has to go throughout the time of his training period.

The jubilation to see the feeling of joy and utter ecstasy on the faces of his proud parents, acts as a catalyst for the cadet to showcase his talent pool in front of the esteemed faculty, dignitaries and other very important guest. The cadets of DNS-batch 5 and GME-batch 7 left no stone unturned to make this important day, a huge success so as to remember nostalgically by all their batch mates, teachers and trainers alike.

The venue as usual was the AEMA auditorium for the showcasing of the cultural activity of the cadets.

This happened to be the venue for the main function to start but not before the honorable Chief Guest Sri Gautam Chatterjee I.A.S (Director General of Shipping and Ex-Officio Additional Secretary); Guests of Honor Mr. Vijay Gupta, Managing Director AESM Hong Kong; Mr. Amarjit Dhariwal, Senior Superintendant -British Columbia Ferry Corporation, Canada; Mrs. Madhu Gupta (w/o Late Mr. K.C. Gupta-Anglo-Eastern Founder Director); Mrs. Murugesan (w/o Vice-Admiral P Murugesan, Western Naval Command). The Guests received the spectacular Guard of Honor presented by the cadets and the subsequent Flag Break done by the hon' Mr. Chatterjee. Later on cadets performed in the event fuelled by innumerable rehearsals that made the setting picture perfect and in turn left the guests and parents highly impressed with the gung-ho attitude of the cadets.



Anglo-Eastern's Capt. Pradeep Chawla (Man. Dir. Group QHSE & Training, AESM), Capt. K. N. Deboo (Principal & Director AEMTC) and Mr. Francis Akkara (Vice Principal AEMTC) were the gracious dignitaries and host who with their supportive participation encouraged and made the day for the cadets and their parents.

The program started under the able anchoring of Capt. Sarat Kumar, whose primary concern was the aspect of Health & Safety instructions read out to the audience just as the norm on merchant ships.

Thereafter a brief introduction of the Chief Guest and the Guests of Honors were dwelt upon, followed by the speech of Principal AEMA, Capt.Pawan Kr. Gupta but not before the formal felicitation of the esteemed guests in the form of presentation of colorful flower bouquets to each.

The resourceful speech of Principal Capt. Pawan Kr. Gupta, entailed informative recapitulation of the lessons learnt by the cadets albeit in a practical manner, during their training period laying emphasis on the safety of the cadets themselves and their colleagues, living on board ships and the induction procedure to be followed to the hilt. The constant Reading of the Company's SMSs should be the norm for the cadets as well as knowledge about MARPOL and other related environmental issues. Health and hygiene and housekeeping are among the other things to be always kept in mind by the cadets under all circumstances. In the end Capt. Gupta concluded his speech by congratulating all the passed out cadets and their parents were exhorted to take pride in the achievements of their wards under the training period.



DG planting a sapling



Mr. Gautam Chaterjee addressing the audience

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The cultural program of half an hour duration consisted of assorted program items like playing of "E-major" on the guitar by cadet Harish Rahane, Recitation of self composed hindi poems by two of the cadets, very melodious hindi film songs rendition by cadets Jagat Tanwar & Abhinav and cadets Varun & Manu Bhagat, guitar-instrumental, folks dance Bhangra performed by four folk cadets (Punjabi boys) from Punjab and a beautiful song in finale called 'kissi ki muskurahaton pe ho nisar' by Capt.Anant.Murthy, filled the cup of enjoyment to the brim of ecstasy. Thereafter the mandatory reading of the course report by HOD Nautical Capt.Nakhwa of the 80 cadets of DNS and the report of 40 GME cadets by Mr. Mahesh Subramanian followed.

Then came the turn of Capt.Chawla to illustrate with the help of a brief presentation, the necessity of 'Having a Passion' for the j ob on hand with the all knowing example of Martin Luther King Junior and Thomas. A. Adison, who never called it quits despite all odds. Capt.Chawla further exhorted the cadets to always maintain the childlike "Why" attitude of curiosity even when rebuffed by the seniors on board the ship but try to learn through manual reading and self exploration. Then came the turn of one of the Guest of Honor Mr.Vijay Gupta who told the cadets to remain forever learners as learning is a life-long continuous process and to invest in knowledge. The next speaker in line was Mr.Dhariwal who besides emphasizing on "Safety", stressed upon the need of Human Factors and Communication on board the ships. The motto of 'Trust' and 'Breaking Barriers' between Engine and Deck hands on board ships was stressed upon. Different new versions of LNG ships and new evolving ships using different sources of power were described as the ships of the future.

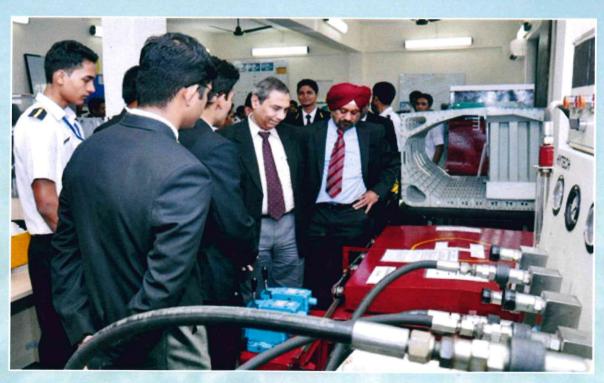
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In between the speeches of the guest of honors prizes too were declared for different categories.

The final round of Big Applause seemed to be reserved for the Chief Guest Mr. Chatterjee who in his very down to earth demeanor and practical matter of fact style elaborated lucidly on the history and tradition of India being a major sea-faring nation from the ancient times and till today Seafaring has been a big strength of India renowned throughout the world. His prolific sense of knowledge and forbearance resonated with his reminder to cadets about the importance of the 12th of January 2013, being the 150th celebration of the birth of the youth icon and the eternal philosopher of India Swami Vivekananda, whose life and teachings should be followed by all young people especially the cadets of AEMA who should inculcate the symbolic slogan in their lives - "ARISE, AWAKE AND STOP NOT TILL THE GOAL IS REACHED". Mr. Chatterjee expressed a strong desire to recite in the form of ghazal a few lines of the Jagajit Singh's nazm called-'pyar ka ek khat likhne mein waqt to lagta hain.....'that was so melodramatically melodious and sonorous that nobody could make out that a senior most bureaucrat of the Govt. Machinery, could sing so much melodiously as If Jagjit singh were himself singing, which really left everybody stupefied and it took some extra time for the continuous applause to die down as the melodious rendition of the song registered in the mind of the audience. The vote of thanks by the representative of the DNS-5 & GME-7 cadets bought the curtains down to this stupendous successful show of AEMA, aptly described as the grand finale of the graduation day in the life of a cadet now ready to become a seaman of capability and resourcefulness; in turn also become a thorough gentleman.



Mr. Gautam Chatterjee & Mr. Amarjit Dhariwal in the Hydraulic Lab