

Itihaas Summit 2014

Date : 12th December 2014

Venue : India International Center

Conducted By : Itihaas
Organized By : Itihaas

Attended By : 5 Students of Class X, 3 Students of Class XI &

Ms. Priyanka Mohan Sharma

The much awaited Itihaas summit was held on 12th December 2014 in the India International Center, Lodhi Road. The summit is always meaningful since the Chief Guests who are invited are so enriched with their experiences, anecdotes and knowledge. As a teacher one is able to understand the varied nuances of History as a subject, a subject which always earned the ire of the students and parents alike, for being a boring subject. A teacher, especially a History teacher can articulate her own set of concepts and conviction from summits like the ones organized by Itihaas, since great, successful and powerful people share this platform to explain and drive home the idea of the significance of this subject.

This year also the list of guests was quite impressive: Mrs. Lata Vaidyanathan, Ex Principal Modern School, Barakhamba Road, Mr. R. Sreenivasan, Co-founder Career Launcher, Mr. William Darymple, author of heart winning books like `The Last Mughal', `The White Mughal' and many more.

A person of the stature of Mrs. Vaidyanathan, when she says that `Schools should not merely be stops for certification', it adds weight to the fact that `Education should not be limited to classrooms or textbooks' or the fact that, `Today a child is getting lost in numbers'.

At a micro level, it is so much fun to learn that a small thing like *chaach* can be the beginning of Heritage education. It's interesting to know how our Pepsi obsessed generation does not even pronounce the name in the first go and they land up calling it *Kaanch*.

This summit was special for one more reason, our students who had undertaken the adventurous and enlightening trip to Rajasthan were given certificates of being Heritage Youth Leaders, under the Heritage Youth Leadership Programme of Itihaas.