

## Introduction Speech for Chief Guest

Good evening everyone and a warm welcome to all of you at the 50th annual function of our school. As we look back 50 years ago, we see ourselves as a very small organization set up in a very small area, with around 20 students only. Gradually we started the primary sections, high school and now we are a college with around 8000 students and 70 teachers.

St. Peter's is one of the renowned institutions in the city. The saplings planted years back have borne fruits. Many of the students who studied here are doctors, engineers, researchers, teachers, writers, IAS, and so on, and one such alumnus is present among us.

I feel extremely honored to introduce the chief guest tonight, Mr. Rajat Venkat, who is a renowned social worker, an animal lover, a teacher, and an ex-student of our school. It is such a privilege to have him on the stage as the chief guest.

Sir had been running a private zoo where he takes care of the sick and stray animals and allows no visitors in the space. He is always in the front when it comes to helping the poor and the needy. He is an inspiration to many. Mr. Venkat is also an amazing writer. Many of his poems on social reforms and social problems had won him fame.

He is an amazing person, a loving father, a caring husband, and an adorable son. People like him are hard to find. He is the face of our school. Every student should try and inculcate some of the values he owns. We are proud to have an alumnus like him who is doing something in favor of the society. Such a selfless service is hard to witness.

Every student has his own talent, qualities and interests. It is not necessary to be a topper in academics but to excel in whatever you do. Not everyone can be a doctor or an engineer, some are dancers, singers, travelers, and chefs. There are 'n' number of professions in today's world. It is just that you need to choose the area of your interest and not what others compel you to do. This is what Mr. Venkat did. His love for kids and academics made him an amazing teacher, his love for animals made him their savior and his love for humanity helped him reform the society. One should always do what he wants to and not what he is forced to. This is the mantra of a successful person.

We are very grateful to Mr. Rajat Venkat for accepting our invitation and marking his presence here. I now invite him to light the lamp and enlighten the audience with his words before we proceed with the event.