

## Journey of Speaking in Public.....

Public speaking was something that remained ingrained all through my growing up years. Expectation always remained high in the house hold for everyone is a seasoned campaigner. Living with the likes of my youngest sibling, still holds me in awe even after closing four decades. She, barely into her second grade was the Master of Ceremony for our schools Annual Day with over 1500 parents and guests in the audience.

Living in this shadow, meant I ought to carve a niche for myself. My attempts at school initially were with trepidation and success was always a measure to my siblings' achievements. So, where do I draw and gain my rightful place, this was all that I could think. Over time and thought, my tentative steps to participate in debates and declamation helped me garner the confidence and fight stage fright. With renewed confidence, did place my heart into preparation, which indeed was the key and practice couldn't have been far behind.

Years rolled over, been through a profession in arms and led a life that entailed living through difficult times and leading people too, where one such facet was seeing another sunrise was the only desire.

Circumstances did let me grow and when situations so demand, what's spoken remains the eternal truth with a tinge of emotion attached. Essence is felt and understood for the vibrations that reverberate in that speech or conversation without any euphemistic tinge is what beseeches ordinary people do extraordinary acts.

Here, I found my domain of speech and speaker in me awakened to convey from the depths within away from any aphasia or reason to compare.

Evolution was no longer myriad to anyone to compare but an evaluation to far better oneself.

Today, as I reflect sharpening the tool of an emotive entity, speaking from the depths of oneself to the blue yonder beyond, the embodiment of adding creativity to the evolved speaker has commenced. Toastmasters fraternity in Doha was an ideal platform to facet me to find another nuance of being speaker and leader too.....

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