

## **Prisoners of Classroom**

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Today I stand on the other side of the table  
Believe me my friends, it is not a fable  
Seated all around the oval table  
In the green room, with green cushioned chairs and green tables.

One, two, three speakers each day  
Was the average that we could take per day  
Initially it was a gloomy hour each day  
But by and by, we, as mute spectators went through each day.

From history, geography, biodiversity, food security  
Service rules, writing reviews, life skills and gender sensitivity  
For a moment stopped I  
Where am I going? Back to school, college aye?

But smile we did and kept straight faces  
Fell in line as the HRD Centre forces (hail!)  
Like it or not but bear a fact  
We are undergoing a training as a certified pact!

We sit and listen all through the day  
Sometimes we are prodded to ask for we may  
Some doze and enjoy an afternoon siesta  
While some afford to have an open eyed fiesta.

Let me not linger or prolong it any more  
Let's part friends, though we did not meet before  
Bid goodbye to this centre for sure  
With promises, good wishes and more, for us to lure.

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