

As my medium of education up to college had been in local vernacular, I always felt short and wanting among the *elite' angrezi* crowd, that it required colossal inner strength to overcome the complex.

Right from the days in the department, I had been constantly reading his articles in the legendary magazine - ELT and had literally fallen in love with his artistry. I had virtually developed a Dhronacharya - Eklavya relationship with this man, whose sustained inspiration had given me the required ammunition to blow off my inhibitions and pen my first article.

Now I realised that, writing an article, is nothing short of an intellectual "pregnancy and a child birth". It starts with a fertile conception (idea), healthy pregnancy (construction) and a painful labour (conclusion), though many times, a miscarriage (confusion).

If writing one article itself is such a gruelling experience, just think of an effort, whereby a daily column has been written on the driest subject on the planet, for a continuous period spanning over 8 years!!!

Daily Dose of Taxation (DDT), an editorial column in the leading online tax portal www.taxindiaonline.com, penned by Shri. Vijay.K.Kumar, has completed its 2000th episode

on 11th December 2012. This magical feat and an unmatched record to my knowledge, had already been recognised as a "NATIONAL RECORD" in 2012, as the longest running daily online column on tax, when it completed its 1641st episode and now in pursuit of the "GUINNESS".

Over these years, DDT has been tirelessly providing the all-important information about the day – to – day affairs in the tax domain and also had been updating the netizens with the cream of the case laws, with its honest and incisive analysis. The distilled essence provided by this column is a perennial source of information to the entire gamut of taxpayers, taxmen and the consultants.

Like millions, I am also a die-hard addict to this most invaluable column on the domain and religiously read it every day. I take this opportunity to salute this monumental column, which had provided and continues to provide, a yeomen service to the nation and its netizens, by providing the precious wealth of information, in a lightning speed.

DDT- 358 taught me, what is limerick. A limerick is a kind of a witty, humorous, or nonsense poem, especially one in five-line anapestic or amphibrachic meter with a strict rhyme scheme (AABBA), which is sometimes obscene with

humorous intent.

Here I had attempted a limerical tribute to DDT on its 2000th episode.

*A grass insect exclaimed in pain,
"A Chemist has spoiled my grain!"
The cause of his pity,
Was para – DDT,
Intoxic poison. Extinctive ruin.*

*A tax infect exclaimed in vain,
"A journalist has spoiled your brain!"
The cause of his pity,
Was also DDT,
Intoxic wine. Intrinsic shine.*