

PROFILE OF Sabyasachi Hajara

Chairman And Managing Director, Shipping Corporation of India, India

- Born on December 3, 1952, Shri Sabyasachi Hajara graduated with First Class Honours in B.Sc (Chemistry) from Kolkata University in 1970 and was awarded a Silver Medal by his College for proficiency in result. He obtained Post Graduate Diploma in Management from the Indian Institute of Management Calcutta, Kolkata in 1973 and secured Second Position in the Order of Merit and was placed in the Institute's Roll of Honours. He was also awarded the "Pfizer" scholarship.
- Immediately on passing from IIM Calcutta, he joined the Shipping Corporation of India (SCI) on May 2, 1973. He also obtained Degree in Law from Kolkata University in 1977. On a Government Scholarship, he obtained Post Graduate Diploma in Shipping and Post Graduate Diploma in International Maritime Law & Marine Insurance from the Norwegian Shipping Academy. In both the PG Diplomas, he secured First Positions in the Order of Merit.
- Shri Hajara has rich experience in various aspects of shipping. He was promoted to the post of General Manager (Bulk Carrier & Tanker Division) in 1997 and was in-charge of Bulk Carriers, Chartering, Specialized tankers & LNG Projects. He was chosen as "Project Leader" of the SCI team for "Project Renaissance" - a Management Consultancy Project for Corporate Transformation. He was elevated to the position of Director (Personnel and Administration) and Director (Grievances) on February 1, 2001. On September 1, 2005, he has assumed charge as Chairman and Managing Director of The Shipping Corporation of India Limited.
- Shri Hajara is an eloquent speaker and is much sought after by the national and international maritime fraternity for his lucid and thought-provoking presentations. He has made presentations in various national and international seminars / conferences on various maritime related issues including bulk shipping, container shipping, LNG shipping, manning and training subjects, HRD topics etc and published many papers in various shipping and non shipping journals of the Institute of Engineers, Institute of Marine Engineers, Indian Shipping, The Marine World, Marex Bulletin etc. National dailies like the Hindu and The Economic Times have also published his articles.
- Shri Hajara has been a member of number of Indian delegations at the Council and Assembly meetings of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), where he has represented SCI and the Indian National Shipowners' Association (INSA). He has also represented the INSA and International Shipping Federation (ISF) at the conferences of International Labour Organization (ILO).
- Presently, he is the President of INSA. He has also been the Vice-President and Director of International Shipping Federation which represents the International Shipowners in all the important maritime fora like IMO, ILO etc. He is also on the Board of Governors of the World Maritime University.
- Shri Hajara has been associated with a host of Management and Industry Associations. He is currently the Chairman of the CII National Committee on Shipping & Maritime. He is also a member of the Managing Committee of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce & Industry.