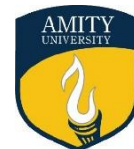


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Leadership Series - Curtain Raiser GLRC 2026

Amity Business School organized the motivating and insightful Leadership Series as a Curtain Raiser for our flagship event; the 11th edition of annual research conference, Global Leadership Research Conference (GLRC 2026) from 11th to 12th February, 2026 on the theme “**Next Gen Technologies for Sustainable Business Innovation**”.

The Leadership Series Session on the theme “**Discover the Lion in You: Leadership Lessons for India’s Youth**” was delivered by **Major Abhinandan Singh, IPS** on 13th November 2025 from 11.15 am to 1.00 pm at F-3 Seminar Hall for students of MBA programmes of ABS.

About the Speaker: Major Abhinandan Singh (Veteran), IPS is a distinguished officer known for his exemplary service, leadership under pressure, and dedication to the nation. His journey from military training to serving in the Indian Police Service showcases values that resonate with young minds aspiring to serve and lead.

A decorated officer with nearly a decade of distinguished service in the Indian Army, Major Singh embodies the ideals of discipline, resilience, purpose, and service to the nation. He overcame an adverse Spine injury and gave up a prestigious position, risking everything and went on to clear India’s toughest Examination twice to transition from Olive Greens to Khaki.

Having transitioned from the battlefield to the administrative corridors of the Indian government, his journey is a masterclass in adaptability, leadership, and perseverance. He has trained, mentored, and inspired thousands — from elite forces to aspiring civil servants.

He is an acclaimed TEDx Speaker, featured on JoshTalks and has been invited to speak at Universities and Corporate Houses across the country. He is also a poet, an avid Sports person, Founder of an NGO, and an inspiration to the youth of our country.

Details About the Session: Dr. Puja Sareen welcomed the guest, faculties and students present to the Leadership series. Dr. Sanjeev Bansal, Addl. Pro Vice Chancellor, Dean FMS & Director ABS welcomed the guest with a sapling.

The session began with an impactful message — **Leadership is not about authority or management; it is about influence, empathy, and purpose.** Major Abhinandan Singh emphasized that “*a true leader makes people feel the force behind their work.*”

Drawing from his years in the **Indian Army**, he shared stories, philosophies, and lessons that shaped his leadership ethos — all aimed at helping young minds discover the “lion” within themselves. He reminded students that leadership cannot be taught in classrooms; **it comes from within**, nurtured by self-belief, discipline, and a sense of belongingness to one’s country and in today’s scenario, one’s organization. He shared various lessons that he learnt from the Indian Military Academy.

He shared that his leadership journey was profoundly shaped by the principles of the **Chetwode Credo** — the moral compass for every officer of the Indian Army. He explained that if one bases their thought process on this credo, they can become a respected leader both in and beyond the armed forces.

He elaborated on the following while drawing examples from his professional life:

- A leader is respected not for their **rank**, but for the **kind of person** they are.
- Leadership means **servicing before being served, acting before commanding, and prioritizing others before self.**

He urged the youth to live by the philosophy: “**Ask not what your company can do for you, but what you can do for your company.**”

Alongside this, he went on to give the hallmark qualities of a great leader and encouraged everyone in the audience to implement these.

(a) Self-Belief and Team Spirit

(b) People and Purpose over Profits

(c) Turning Adversity into Opportunity

(d) Purity of Intent and the Role of the Universe

(e) Decisiveness and Risk-Taking

(f) Time Management

(g) Strength and Discipline

He concluded with a strong message: “*Weakness is a sin and a crime — start feeling your inner strength and bring it out.*”

Major Abhinandan Singh left students with a powerful thought:

“You are the future leaders. It now depends on whether you rise to the occasion or not.”

He reminded that the journey to leadership begins with **clarity of intent, belief in oneself, and discipline in action.**

Q&A Session Highlights: The students from the programs of MBA (General), MBA (Finance), MBA (ENP), MBA (BA) attended the session and actively participated by asking questions towards the end of the session. Most of the questions were based on how the speaker cleared the civil services exam, how can one develop emotional intelligence, what are the non-negotiable qualities of a leader, how to take decisions under pressure, so on and so forth. Major Singh answered all the questions with zeal and full impact.

Brig. Navjot Singh Bedi presented a memento to the speaker for his gracious presence. Dr Vijit Chaturvedi proposed the vote of thanks.

Overall, the session received a very positive and encouraging feedback from the students.

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