



# **ARYABHATTA COLLEGE**

## SANKALP: THE SOCIETY OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES

## **SPEAKER ROUNDTABLE 2024**

- Name of the Society: Sankalp: The Dept. of Management Studies
- **Event Name:** ProVista 2024 Beyond the Classroom: Essential Skills for Thriving in the Modern Workplace
- Convenor: Dr. Shipra Agrawal
- Teacher-In-Charge: Mr. Pardeep Singh
- Date and Time: 6<sup>th</sup> November 2024, 11.30 AM
- Venue: Activity Room, Aryabhatta College
- Number of Participants: 80+

### **PANELISTS:**

- Mr. Mayank Agarwal Chartered Accountant, Founder at Olambit Consulting
- Mrs. Shefali Saini Talent Acquisition Specialist at Atlassian
- Mrs. Isha Ghai Litigation Counsel at Delhi High Court and Supreme Court
- Mr. Keshav Kansal Manager at Monitor Deloitte



### **EVENT SUMMARY:**

In a pioneering effort, Sankalp: The Society of Management Studies hosted its first Speaker Roundtable under the flagship management conclave, ProVista 2024. This year's theme, "Beyond the Classroom: Essential Skills for Thriving in the Modern Workplace," aimed to bridge the gap between academic learning and industry practices, inspiring all of the enthusiastic students who attended the event.

ProVista, symbolizing 'Professional Vision,' reflects Sankalp's commitment to fostering a deeper understanding of the professional world. Dr. Komal Singharia helped bring this event to life, making the vision of ProVista a reality. Dr. Shipra Agrawal and Mr. Pardeep Singh provided constant guidance and support. This event was a step towards cultivating growth, innovation, and insight within the student community.

The roundtable brought together an esteemed panel of industry leaders. Mr. Mayank Agarwal, Mrs. Shefali Saini, Mrs. Isha Ghai, and Mr. Keshav Kansal shared powerful insights from their respective fields, guiding students on navigating career challenges, essential skill sets, and anticipated shifts in the workplace.



## **SESSION HIGHLIGHTS:**

The panel discussion was expertly led by moderators who posed thought-provoking questions on career initiation, skill prioritization, and adapting to technological advancements. Key discussion points included:

- **Starting a Career**: Panelists discussed the importance of foundational skills, such as communication, adaptability, and networking, and emphasized the value of emotional intelligence in today's job market.
- **Overcoming Early Career Challenges**: Reflecting on their own journeys, the speakers shared valuable lessons learned about resilience and the significance of a growth mindset.
- **Navigating Recruitment Processes**: The panelists offered advice on standing out in competitive recruitment environments, emphasizing preparation, confidence, and a strong personal brand.

• **Preparing for Industry Shifts:** Panelists highlighted the transformative role of technology across industries and urged students to stay informed, distinguishing impactful trends from short-lived hype.

### PANELIST INTRODUCTIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS:

**Mr. Mayank Agarwal**: A Chartered Accountant and founder of Olambit Consulting, Mr. Agarwal has over four years of experience at Grant Thornton India LLP. He highlighted the importance of financial literacy, adaptability, and discipline, especially for those aspiring to entrepreneurship. His insights into the challenges and rewards of starting a business offered practical advice for career growth.

**Mrs. Shefali Saini:** Currently a Talent Acquisition Specialist at Atlassian, Mrs. Saini, an SRCC and Delhi School of Economics alumna emphasized the significance of soft skills like empathy, communication, and teamwork. Drawing from her HR experience, she discussed recruitment trends and how cultural fit has become a critical factor for employers.

**Mrs. Isha Ghai:** A litigation counsel at the Delhi High Court and Supreme Court, Mrs. Ghai is an SRCC and Faculty of Law alumna. She shared her journey in law, emphasizing resilience, integrity, and responsibility as key to long-term success. Her insights highlighted the importance of a strong ethical foundation in the legal profession.

**Mr. Keshav Kansal:** With experience at KPMG, BCG, EY, and Revolut, Mr. Kansal is now a Manager at Monitor Deloitte. He discussed the importance of adaptability and a global mindset in consulting, advising students to stay updated on technological advancements. His journey demonstrated the balance required between technical skills and interpersonal abilities in the field.



### **CONCLUSION:**

This Speaker Roundtable marked the start of a tradition that Sankalp aims to continue, fostering enduring relationships between industry experts and aspiring students. Sankalp extends heartfelt thanks to the speakers, faculty, and students who made this event a success, looking forward to more such insightful and engaging sessions in the future.

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