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Press Release

Captain Yashika Hatwal Tyagi, Kargil War Veteran exhorts women to take up unconventional career and be prepared for failures as failures are initial steps to success; addresses IIT (ISM) students, faculty members, officers and staff as part of lecture series, Knowledge Festival as part of Viksit Bharat@ 2047.

Captain (Retd) Yashika Hatwal Tyagi, Kargil War Veteran and renowned defence analyst, while delivering a lecture today on gender equality at Penman Auditorium of IIT (ISM) exhorted women to take up unconventional career and be prepared to face failures as these are the initial steps of success.

Captain Tyagi while addressing a gathering of over 500 budding technocrats further said, “When you will take up the new career you will have to be very strong in character because success will be few and far” Your success will depend on how resilient you are because after every failure you will have to get up and move on”

“When you will choose a unconventional career, there will be rejections and life will not be easy for you because the world wants you to make a mistake and world challenges you but you will have to take the challenge to bring a change and be victorious” further said Captain Tyagi.

The lecture was held under Knowledge Festival in the context of Viksit Bharat@2047, visualized, conceptualized and imagined by Honorable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji.

An Alumna of Prestigious Officers Training Academy, Chennai, Captain Tyagi is the first women officer from the logistics wing of Indian Army to be part of battle zone in Operation Vijay (Battle of Kargil).

The lecture series is being organized on the Directive of Ministry of Education, Government of India on different themes including, the Policies for Poors and Marginal; Rising Nari Shakti Women, Education, Skill Development, Reforms and Resurgence Crafts of Governance of India, Environmental Cosmos and policies, Tech Powered India, Computing and Communication etc.

Selected as first women veteran from Army, Navy and Air force to represent millions of veteran of Indian Armed force on Republic Day Parade this year Captain Tyagi who retired in 2021 cleared the services selection board exam in 1994 and got into the Officers Training Academy. Brought up in a family of soldiers Captain Tyagi was felicitated by Hon’ble President of India Ms Draupadi for the work in the field of women empowerment, youth development and leading through personal example on August 21, 2023. A corporate leadership multiplier, Captain Tyagi, who is warrior mindset and military inspired leadership coach was felicitated on August 15, 2023 at Rajbhavan of Uttarakhand by Hon’ble governor, Lt Gov Gurmit Singh and Chief Minister of Uttarakhand Shri Pushkar Singh Dhama.

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