

# PUBLIC SPEAKING AND DEBATING SKILLS

## 29<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2025 (FRIDAY)



Gitarattan International Business School (GIBS) organized a Session on “Basics of Public Speaking and Debating Skills” on 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2025 for the students of Integrated BA LLB (H) and Integrated BBA LLB (H) Semester-I. The session was conducted by Mr. Sahil Malhotra, Director Client Partnerships at Remunance Services Pvt. Ltd. who shared valuable insights on the importance of public speaking and debating skills in the legal profession. The green welcome was offered to him by Dr. Neelam Seam, Program Coordinator of Integrated BA LLB (H), marking the beginning of the event.

Mr. Malhotra began by stressing the need for public speaking and debating skills. He explained that effective communication is not just a desirable skill but a constitutional necessity and professional strength for lawyers. He highlighted the essential communication skills for legal professionals: listening attentively, speaking clearly and persuasively, writing with precision, mastering non-verbal communication through confident posture and gestures, and developing strong interpersonal relationships with clients and peers.

He guided the students through the essentials of voice modulation, body language, clarity of thought, and persuasive argumentation. Emphasis was placed on how these skills directly relate to legal practice, whether in courtroom advocacy, client counseling, or academic discourse. The session also included interactive activities such as impromptu speaking drills and a brief mock debate, allowing students to actively engage and apply what they had learned. Practical strategies were shared to help students enhance their public speaking skills, including participation in moot courts, debates, role plays, peer feedback sessions, and regular practice in legal drafting and public speaking.

Mr. Malhotra talked about the importance of public speaking and debating skills and what are the practices to be followed by students to enhance these skills. He highlighted how strong oratory skills can enhance a lawyer's confidence and courtroom presence. Real-life examples from legal proceedings were shared to demonstrate the impact of persuasive speaking. The speaker emphasized that legal arguments are not only built on sound logic but also on how convincingly they are presented. The ability to present facts clearly, maintain composure under pressure, and

respond intelligently to counterarguments was discussed as essential for future lawyers. Through real-life examples of influential lawyers and landmark cases, the session highlighted how public speaking can shape outcomes and leave a lasting impression in legal proceedings.

To ensure continued learning, students were encouraged to practice regularly by engaging in classroom debates, joining speaking clubs, and watching notable legal orators. The session served not just as an introduction to speaking skills but as a stepping stone toward building advocacy, analytical thinking, and courtroom etiquette. He encouraged students to use storytelling in arguments, maintain confident posture and eye contact, and polish their writing through drafting exercises and regular publications. Students found the session thought-provoking, informative and relevant, as it helped them connect classroom learning with the realities of the legal profession.

As the event drew to a close, a memento along with a formal letter of thanks was presented to the guest by Ms. Ramandeep Kaur acknowledging his valuable contribution to student learning. The atmosphere was filled with gratitude and enthusiasm, as students and faculty members shared their appreciation for such an insightful and motivating session. The program concluded on a positive note, leaving the students inspired to integrate these lessons into their academic pursuits and future professional lives.

### FLYER OF THE EVENT



<b>TYPE OF EVENT</b>	Curricular
<b>VENUE</b>	Auditorium
<b>TIME &amp; DURATION</b>	10:30a.m.-11:30 a.m
<b>CONDUCTED BY</b>	Centre for Legal Studies
<b>ORGANISED FOR</b>	Students of Integrated BBA LLB (H) and Integrated BA LLB (H) Semester I
<b>NAME OF THE COORDINATOR/s</b>	Ms. Monika Sharma

<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	70 Students
<b>RESOURCE PERSON</b>	Mr. Sahil Malhotra Director Client Partnerships at Remunance Services Pvt. Ltd.
<b>OBJECTIVES OF THE EVENT</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. To introduce students to the fundamentals of public speaking and formal debate.</li><li>2. To build confidence in verbal expression through structured speaking opportunities.</li><li>3. To develop students' ability to research, organize, and present arguments effectively.</li><li>4. To enhance critical thinking, active listening, and respectful rebuttal in debate settings.</li><li>5. To promote respectful communication and ethical engagement in public discussions.</li></ol>
<b>LEARNING OUTCOME</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Students understood the basic structure and techniques of public speaking and debating.</li><li>2. Students gained practical experience in delivering speeches and participating in debates.</li><li>3. Students' confidence, articulation, and critical thinking skills were enhanced.</li><li>4. Students developed a greater appreciation for respectful discourse and persuasive communication.</li><li>5. Students were better prepared to engage in academic discussions, presentations, and group deliberations.</li></ol>



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<b>SHORTFALL DURING EVENT</b>	N/A
<b>LINK OF ONLINE VIDEO</b>	<a href="https://youtu.be/D2k5_o8Po5U">https://youtu.be/D2k5_o8Po5U</a>

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