

Personalities like Late Lt Gen SK Sinha are an inspiration to the Govt for its clear & firm policy on issues related to India's sovereignty: Raksha Mantri

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“As the nation is moving forward with a clear and firm policy on issues related to its sovereignty, personalities such as Late Lt Gen Srinivas Kumar Sinha are an inspiration to the Government,” said Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh in a video message during a memorial lecture organised to commemorate the birth centenary of Lt Gen Sinha, a distinguished officer of the Indian Army who later served as the Ambassador to Nepal as well as Governor of Assam and Jammu & Kashmir. Raksha Mantri paid glowing tributes to Lt Gen Sinha, commending his unwavering loyalty and dedication towards the nation. Lt Gen Sinha was a great soldier, diplomat and executive head of a state who always placed the nation above everything else, he said.



Shri Rajnath Singh recalled the time when Lt Gen Sinha, who was born in 1926, represented the country in challenging circumstances on the Burma front during the Second World War, and in 1947, when he played a crucial role in coordinating the first airlift of the Indian Army to Srinagar during the advancement of the Pakistan-backed forces towards Kashmir. Also commending Lt Gen Sinha's professionalism and outstanding performance at both Indian & British Staff Colleges, Raksha Mantri described him as a brave officer of exceptional intellect.

Raksha Mantri appreciated Lt Gen Sinha for striving to provide the Indian Army with modern thinking and institutional strength during his appointments as Director of Military Intelligence, Adjutant General, and in various command positions. “His contributions continued after his retirement. As India's

Ambassador to Nepal, he strengthened our relations. As the Governor of Assam and Jammu & Kashmir, he worked for security and development,” he added, urging the people to learn from Lt Gen Sinha’s ideals if India aspires to become a secure, self-reliant and prosperous nation.

In his address, Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) Gen Anil Chauhan described Lt Gen Sinha as a Soldier-Statesman, Scholar Warrior and a man of character. Urging the Armed Forces personnel to draw lessons from the officer’s tenures in both civil and military space, the CDS said “The senior leadership must build a culture where professional military education, debate and integrity are as valued as gallantry. The middle-level officers must invest in their mind as fiercely as they train their body. The young officers and other ranks must train hard, value discipline; but cultivate reflection; lead with firmness, but also with empathy; and remember that courage lies not only in battle, but in moral clarity. The veterans and media must help safeguard the credibility of the Armed Forces by celebrating not only victories in war, but also professional restraint, ethics and quiet efforts towards nation building during peace.”

On the increasingly complex warfare, spanning cyber, space, information, and cognitive domain, Gen Anil Chauhan underscored the importance of soldier-scholars who can think and analyse. He called upon the soldiers to strive and successfully combine Lt Gen Sinha’s courage in uniform, his curiosity of mind, and his constant upholding of the Constitution. Only then, the CDS said, the Indian soldier will not only protect the border and the people; but will help shape India’s destiny.



Three former Chiefs of the Army Staff - Gen NC Vij, Gen Deepak Kapoor and Gen Dalbir Singh - were present on the occasion, along with the Vice Chief of the Army Staff Lt Gen PP Singh. Around 300 serving and retired personnel, as well as family members of Lt Gen Sinha attended the function.

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