

Felicitation Ceremony of Gaganyatris

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A grand felicitation ceremony of Gaganyatris – Gp. Capt. Prasanth B Nair, Gp. Capt. Ajith Krishnan, Gp. Capt. Angad Pratap, Gp. Capt. Shubhanshu Shukla, by the Hon'ble Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh was held in the Air Force Auditorium on Sunday, 24th August 2025. This event was also attended by Air Chief Marshal A P Singh PVSM, AVSM.

Twenty-one students of our school got the chance to witness this event. It had a profoundly inspiring impact on our students -to witness a real-life hero who ventured into space, filled the young minds with a sense of wonder, patriotism and limitless possibilities.

The program commenced with an introduction by AVM Rahul Bhasin VSM, followed by a speech by AVM Anupam Agrawal VSM and the Hon'ble Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh. Each speech gave us an insight into this mission, the strenuous selection process and how this is a big step in India's space mission.

Finally, Gp. Capt. Shubhanshu Shukla shared inspiring insights into the Axiom 4 mission, personal experiences from space and heartfelt gratitude to the Indian Air Force and the government of India. He spoke about his journey into the NDA and entry into the Indian Air Force, about how it is important to take one step at a time in whatever you are doing and always giving your best. Videos and photos from his space journey were shared, leaving the audience spell bound.

The ceremony not only honoured the personal commitment of all four Gaganyatris but also reflected the collected spirit of innovation and progress that drives India's space program forward. The Gaganyatris have become living embodiments of this drive and their journey will continue to motivate students across the country to dream big, think boldly and reach for the stars.

"Dreams are not those which come while we are sleeping, but dreams are those when you don't sleep before fulfilling them" – Dr. A P J Abdul Kalam

