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Captain Sunita Williams

In Conversation with Sachin Bahmba

SPACE has brought in an outstanding opportunity of an interactive session with Captain Sunita Williams, US Astronaut of Indian origin, at India Islamic Cultural Centre, Lodhi Road on February 26, 2016, from 1 PM to 2.30 PM. The session was preceded as 'CAPTAIN SUNITA WILLIAMS, In Conversation with Sachin Bahmba', Chairman & Managing Director-SPACE.

Captain Williams also released Kalpana Chawla Space Settlement Design Competition at the programme which will give the students of schools and colleges a unique opportunity to design space colonies according to them.

At the preceding of the programme, Captain Sunita Williams said that, "Commercial crew program is the next big thing in space and encouraging private companies to explore space." Sharing her experiences during space walk while answering a student's question, she said, "I wanted to create awareness for healthy lifestyle and hence ran the triathlon while at ISS."

Disseminating the message of believing in you, she added that, "Do not get bogged down by the notion of limits there are not any."

The session has observed a tremendous enthusiasm and response from all age groups and students from around 50 schools of Delhi-NCR, who were present at the programme. In a Fireside Chat with Captain Williams hosted by SPACE CMD discussed her journey of life before she was an Astronaut and beyond this planet, which enabled students and guests to get better understanding of her life as an astronaut. Later on, the programme was followed by a Q/A session in interaction with the invitees and guests in which participants asked her various questions to certain their curiosity about a fascinating and perilous life of being an astronaut.

The Q/A session was then trailed by heartfelt vote of thanks and inspiring words by Mr Amit Verma, CEO-SPACE India, who enthralled the audience with amazing facts about Captain Williams while raising the curtain of the programme. The conversation has seen a massive participation of the students, Principals, education fraternity, industry experts and media and was graced by the esteemed presence of Mr. CB Devgun, President-SPACE Foundation; Ms. Shalini Bahmba, Head of Education-SPACE; Mr. Pankaj Bahmba, Director-SPACE Group of Companies with eminent industry experts.

About Captain Sunita Williams

Captain Sunita Williams is an American astronaut and United States Navy officer of Indian-Slovenian origin. She has spent a total of 322 days in space on two missions, and she ranks sixth on the all-time U.S. endurance list, and second all-time for a female. With 50 hours 40 minutes, she also holds the record total cumulative spacewalk time by a female astronaut. While on Earth, she has logged more than 3000 flight hours in over 30 different aircrafts during her time with the United States Navy. Captain Williams is married to Michael J. Williams. A crazy Jack Russell Terrier named Gorby and a Labrador-Retriever named Bailey adds their share of excitement to their lives.

About SPACE

SPACE is a pioneer organization working towards development of science and astronomy in India. For more than 15 years, it has shaped the modern approach to learning science. Through hands-on learning methodology, it has brought experimentation and rational thinking to classrooms. It has pioneered STEM education (Science Technology Engineering Mathematics) in India, contributing to the mandate of the government that students should be inspired to pursue science and engage in innovation.

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