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Rocketry Workshop to relive Dr APJ Abdul Kalam's Dream with School Students

To commemorate the birth anniversary of our Missile Man, Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam, SPACE has organised a 'Rocketry Workshop' on October 15, 2015 at Government Girls' Senior Secondary School No. 2, A1 Block, Janakpuri, New Delhi with Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA)- Janakpuri, Mr Rajesh Rishi as the Chief Guest, who will himself construct a rocket and launch it with SPACE. SPACE, who as you may know, specialise in the quest for dissemination of Astronomy and Space Sciences to young minds in schools. I would like to share with you this wonderful possibility we have created of an activity to promote hands on science learning in schools.

On the occasion, the **Chief Guest said** that, "Everyone has to dream big then only you will be able to chase your dreams and achieve them. We will not feel grief for the departed soul of great Dr APJ Abdul Kalam but, we will memorize him and follow him as idol."

In addition to this, Mr Manish Sisodia, Deputy Chief Minister, Government of NCT of Delhi as the Chief Guest at the conduction of our flagship programme, Project Paridhi at Jantar Mantar, New Delhi on September 23, 2015 has encouraged SPACE to promote hands on experiential learning of Science at Government schools and therefore, SPACE is conducting this workshop as its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative to empower school girls with experiential learning.

Rocketry Workshop at Girls' school was conducted to break all the barriers of the gender discrimination and specially to also make government school students capable of experiential learning which is not in current Indian education module and curriculum for students. Under the program, educators from SPACE guided the students in creating rockets out of common material and launching them. Students have learnt about the principles of rocketry. A total number of 200 students performed the activity. Students and teachers joined SPACE in the conduction of the activity with the goal to foster enjoyment in science among the students.

About SPACE

SPACE, the pioneer organization working towards the development of science and astronomy in India, is an ISO 9001:2000 certified organization and has been working towards cultivating science and astronomy awareness, education and innovation in India through path-breaking concepts, services and programmes. SPACE has not only successfully implemented astronomy and space science curriculum in Indian education system but has also provided international platforms to students, where they distinctively contribute in scientific discoveries at a very early age. We constantly strive to use scientific and astronomical programmes to foster scientific temperament in society, especially among the youth who are the harbingers of India's future.

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