



# INDIAN *DefSPACE* SYMPOSIUM

"STRENGTHENING INDIA'S DEFENCE AND SPACE INDUSTRY SYNERGY"



Day -1: Thursday, 23 April 2026

Day 1: Theme: Commercial Space: Navigating Threats and Military Employment

TIME	PROGRAMME
0900 - 0930 hrs	Registration & Tea
0930 - 1015 hrs	<p><b>Session - 1</b> Red Dragon in Orbit: China's Civil-Military Space Enterprise (Chinese space technologies and the CMF model)</p>
Exhibition visit by The Chief Guest	
1015 - 1130 hrs	<p><b>Inaugural Session</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome Remarks by DG ISpA</li> <li>Opening Address by Vice Chairman ISpA</li> <li>Keynote by The Guest of Honour <b>Lt Gen Zubin A Minwalla, UYSM, AVSM, YSM DCIDS(Ops) HQIDS</b></li> <li>Keynote by The Guest of Honour <b>Lt Gen Rajiv Ghai, SYSM, UYSM, AVSM, SM DCOAS (Strat) (TBC)</b></li> <li>Keynote Address by The Guest of Honour <b>Air Chief Marshal RKS Bhadauria (Retd), PVSM, AVSM, VM(Retd), Former Chief of the Air Staff</b></li> <li>Keynote Address by The Guest of Honour <b>Dr Samir V Kamat, Secretary DD(R&amp;D) and Chairman DRDO</b></li> <li>Inaugural Address by The Chief Guest <b>General Anil Chauhan PVSM, UYSM, AVSM, SM, VSM, Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)</b></li> <li>Releases / MoUs</li> <li>Brief by Planet and Dhruva Space</li> <li>Felicitation and Group Photograph</li> </ul>
1130 - 1245 hrs	<p><b>Session-2</b> Space as a Decisive Enabler in Modern Conflicts (Use of space in recent conflicts: an Analysis) - Panel Discussion</p>
1245 - 1255 hrs	Industry Session-A
1255 - 1305 hrs	Industry Session-B (Pixxel)
<p><b>Shamsher (Conference Room)</b> Strategic forum: Achieving Decision Superiority Steered by Planet (By invite only)</p>	
1315 - 1415 hrs	Networking Lunch and Exhibition Visits
1415 - 1530 hrs	<p><b>Session - 3</b> Strategic Communications through Space and Network Centricity for Multi Domain Operations) - Panel Discussion</p>
1530 - 1600 hrs	Networking Tea and Exhibition Visits
1600- 1710 hrs	<p><b>Session - 4</b> Space-Based ISR and Decision Superiority in Contested Environments - Panel Discussion</p>
1710 - 1720 hrs	Industry Session - D
1720 - 1740 hrs	Financing the Invisible Front: Investment Models for ELINT, ISR Satellites & Dual-Use Space Capabilities - Talk
1740 - 1800 hrs	Networking Tea and Exhibition Visits
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Day -2: Friday, 24 April 2026

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TIME	PROGRAMME
0900 - 0930 hrs	Registration & Tea
0930 - 1030 hrs	<p><b>Plenary Session</b></p> <p>Welcome Remarks by Walchandnagar (Chirag Doshi) / PJ Nath Special Address by The Guest of Honour Dr Anupam Sharma (Director, DSP DRDO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Address by The Guest of Honour <b>Air Vice Marshal Manu Midha AVSM, VM DC DSA</b></li> <li>Keynote Address by The Guest of Honour <b>Vice Admiral Sanjay Jasjit Singh, SYSM, PVSM, AVSM, NM, PhD (Retd), Director General USI, Former Vice Chief of Naval Staff</b></li> <li>Keynote Address by The Guest of Honour <b>Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari PVSM AVSM VM (Retd), Former Chief of the Air Staff</b></li> <li>Keynote by The Guest of Honour <b>Lt Gen R S Raman, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, DGMI</b></li> <li>Special Address by The Guest of Honour <b>VCNS Vice Admiral Sanjay Vatsayan, AVSM, NM</b></li> <li>Special Address by The Guest of Honour <b>Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit, PVSM, AVSM, VM, VSM, Chief of Integrated Defence Staff</b></li> <li>Release of IISC Tech Report</li> <li>Felicitation of Indian Astronauts</li> <li>Felicitation of Guests and Group Photograph</li> </ul>
1030 -1100 hrs	Exhibition Visit by The Chief Guest and Dignitaries
	<p><b>Session-5</b></p> <p>Journeys Beyond Earth: Astronaut Experiences, Future Missions, Industry Opportunities and Strategic Pathways for the Nation - A Fireside chat with Gp Capt Shubhanshu Shukla and Gp Capt PB Nair</p>
1100 - 1145 hrs	<p><b>Session-6</b></p> <p>From Vision to Vigilance: India's Military Space Trajectory - Hits and Misses (A Conversation on India's Defence space sector and Defence Vision 2047) (Fireside Chat)</p>
1145 -1205 hrs	Networking Tea & Exhibition Visits
1205-1325 hrs	<p><b>Session-7</b></p> <p>Mission DefSpace: Updates and Way Forward</p>
1325 -1425 hrs	Networking Lunch & Exhibition Visits
1430 - 1540 hrs	<p><b>Session-8</b></p> <p>From Policy to Payload: Enabling Defence Space Industrial Base (IN-SPACE Policies, Demand Generation, Skilling, Infrastructure support, Finance &amp; Insurance for space missions) - Panel Discussion</p>
1540 - 1550 hrs	Industry Session – E (VyomiC)
1550 -1600 hrs	Industry Session – F
1600-1610 hrs	Industry Session - G
1610 - 1710 hrs	<p><b>Session-9</b></p> <p>Assured Navigation in Denied Environments: PNT, NavIC and Mission Continuity (PNT systems and NavIC adoption) - Panel Discussion</p>
1710- 1730 hrs	<p><b>Closing Session</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Legal and Policy Review</li> <li>Closing Address</li> </ul>
1735 onwards	High Tea and Networking

END OF DAY 2: IDS 2026 CONCLUDING DAY

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