



INDIAN DEFSPACE SYMPOSIUM

4TH EDITION

" Strengthening India's Defence and Space Industry Synergy "

23-24 April 2026, The Manekshaw Centre , New Delhi

DAY 1

Thursday, 23 April 2026

Ashoka Auditorium

Theme: Commercial Space - Navigating Threats and Military Employment

TIME	PROGRAMME
0900 - 0930 hrs	Registration & Tea
0930 - 1015 hrs	<p align="center"><u>Session - 1</u></p> <p align="center">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><u>Inaugural Session</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome Remarks by DG ISpA • Opening Address by Vice Chairman ISpA • Keynote by The Guest of Honour Lt Gen Zubin A Minwalla, UYSM, AVSM, YSM DCIDS(Ops) HQIDS • Keynote by The Guest of Honour Lt Gen Rajiv Ghai, SYSM, UYSM, AVSM, SM DCOAS (Strat) (TBC) • Keynote Address by The Guest of Honour Air Chief Marshal RKS Bhadauria (Retd), PVSM, AVSM, VM(Retd), Former Chief of the Air Staff • Keynote Address by The Guest of Honour Dr Samir V Kamat, Secretary DD(R&D) and Chairman DRDO • Inaugural Address by The Chief Guest General Anil Chauhan PVSM, UYSM, AVSM, SM, VSM, Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) • Releases / MoUs • Brief by Planet and Dhruva Space • Felicitation and Group Photograph

1130 - 1245 hrs	<u>Session-2</u> Space as a Decisive Enabler in Modern Conflicts (Use of space in recent conflicts: an Analysis) - Panel Discussion	<u>Shamsher</u> <u>(Conference Room)</u> Strategic forum: Achieving Decision Superiority Steered by Planet (BY INVITE ONLY)
1245 - 1255 hrs	Industry Session-A	
1255 - 1305 hrs	Industry Session-B (Pixxel)	
1305 - 1315 hrs	Industry Session-C (Eutelsat Oneweb)	
1315 - 1415 hrs	Networking Lunch and Exhibition Visits	
1415 - 1530 hrs	<u>Session - 3</u> Strategic Communications through Space and Network Centricity for Multi Domain Operations) - Panel Discussion	
1530 - 1600 hrs	Networking Tea and Exhibition Visits	
1600- 1710 hrs	<u>Session - 4</u> Space-Based ISR and Decision Superiority in Contested Environments - Panel Discussion	
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	

End of Day 1



DAY 2

Friday, 24 April 2026
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Theme: Empowering the Space Industry to Enhance Defence Operational Readiness

0900 - 0930 hrs	Registration & Tea	
0930 - 1030 hrs	<p><u>Plenary Session</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome Remarks by Walchandnagar (Chirag Doshi) / PJ Nath • Special Address by The Guest of Honour Dr Anupam Sharma (Director, DSP DRDO) • Address by The Guest of Honour Air Vice Marshal Manu Midha AVSM, VM DG DSA • Keynote Address by The Guest of Honour Vice Admiral Sanjay Jasjit Singh, SYSM, PVSM, AVSM, NM, PhD (Retd), Director General USI, Former Vice Chief of Naval Staff • Keynote Address by The Guest of Honour Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari PVSM AVSM VM (Retd), Former Chief of the Air Staff • Keynote by The Guest of Honour Lt Gen R S Raman, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, DGMI • Special Address by The Guest of Honour VCNS Vice Admiral Sanjay Vatsayan, AVSM, NM • Special Address by The Guest of Honour Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit, PVSM, AVSM, VM, VSM, Chief of Integrated Defence Staff • Release of IISC Tech Report • Felicitation of Indian Astronauts • Felicitation of Guests and Group Photograph 	
1030 - 1100 hrs	<p>Exhibition Visit by The Chief Guest and Dignitaries</p> <p><u>Session-5</u> 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><u>Session-6</u> 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>	<p>Shamsher (Conference Room)</p> <p>Close Door Roundtable steered by Synspetive (By invite Only)</p>
1145 - 1205 hrs	Networking Tea & Exhibition Visits	

1205-1325 hrs	<u>Session-7</u> Mission DefSpace: Updates and Way Forward
1325 -1425 hrs	Networking Lunch & Exhibition Visits
1430 - 1540 hrs	<u>Session-8</u> From Policy to Payload: Enabling Defence Space Industrial Base (IN-SPACE Policies, Demand Generation, Skilling, Infrastructure support, Finance & Insurance for space missions) - Panel Discussion
1540 - 1550 hrs	Industry Session - E (VyomiC)
1550 - 1600 hrs	Industry Session - F
1600-1610 hrs	Industry Session - G
1610 - 1710 hrs	<u>Session-9</u> Assured Navigation in Denied Environments: PNT, NavIC and Mission Continuity (PNT systems and NavIC adoption) - Panel Discussion
1710- 1730 hrs	<u>Closing Session</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal and Policy Review • Closing Address
1735 onwards	High Tea and Networking

IDS 2026 Concluding Day
