

PRESS RELEASE

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Students to click Earth as Astronauts with NASA

Indian students will get the enthralling experience of requesting images of the Earth from the International Space Station (ISS) by participating in SPACE India organized Sally Ride EarthKAM (Earth Knowledge Acquired by Middle school students) February Mission from February 6-10, 2017. The project will be conducted in 9 schools of Delhi-NCR and 6 schools of Punjab as venue partners with total participation of 800 students and 65 schools.

The Mission is administered by NASA and students with the help of on-board Astronauts on the ISS will get the opportunity to access the camera mounted on the International Space Station. Sally Ride EarthKAM is a fantastic way to engage students in Earth and Space Science, Geography, Social Studies, Mathematics, communications and art.

Mr. Sachin Bahmba, Chairman & Managing Director, SPACE Group said that, "This is a special opportunity for the school students to access the camera on board of ISS, like professional scientists and astronomers, the students can use the acquired data for their classroom purposes. Sally Ride EarthKAM is a fantastic way to engage students in Earth Sciences, Space Science, Geography, Social Studies, Mathematics and Satellite Communications."

"It is interesting to note that our Indian origin NASA Astronaut Captain Sunita Williams serviced this camera during Expedition 33 Mission," he emphasized.

During 5 EarthKAM Missions each year, SPACE India holds workshops where students are guided by Educators to select locations of geographical and environmental interest, based on weather and orbit checking, and through a software interface submit requests which are sent to ISS. ISS captures images of the locations, and makes high quality images available for download. Images have been taken of regions of interest in geography, environment, ecology and natural disasters.

Sally Ride EarthKAM is an international educational programme of NASA through which students can receive stunning images of Earth from a digital camera mounted at a nadir pointing window in the International Space Station (ISS). This programme was started by Dr. Sally Ride, first American woman in space and was originally called KidSat. SPACE brings this unique workshop to our schools, with the enthralling experience of imaging Earth from a unique perspective of space.

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