

Space Education through “Space on Wheels” in Nadia District, West Bengal in collaboration with Vijnana Bharati (VIBHA).

The “Space on Wheels (SoW)” activity is a collaborative outreach programme by Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and Vijnana Bharati (VIBHA). In West Bengal, the SoW activity is being carried out in parts of North and South Bengal during 05th January to 17th February, 2026. In this regard, a student rally was organized at Gayeshpur, Nadia on 05th February, 2026. Around 500 students along with academic enthusiasts were present in the rally. Dr. Narayan Chakraborty (Padma Shri awardee) was among the notable guests. Vivekananda Vijnan Mission (The West Bengal prant of Vijnana Bharati) invited scientists from RRSC-East, NRSC to grace the occasion. In this context, Dr. Arindam Guha (Head, Applications, RRSC-East, NRSC) and Dr. Prabir Kumar Das (Scientist/Engineer-SG, RRSC-East, NRSC) joined the event.

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ISRO’s ‘Space on Wheels’ Reaches Nadia, Sparks Young Minds’ Interest in Space Science

Dipankar Edbar, Kalyani : A unique mobile space science exhibition titled “Space on Wheels”, jointly organised by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and Vijnana Bharati, arrived at Gayeshpur in Nadia district on Friday, creating excitement among students and local residents alike. The initiative aims to promote awareness and interest in space science and technology among school students across the state, Nareshji, the National Coordinator said.

The specially designed exhibition bus was welcomed with a colourful procession from Gayeshpur Jogajog Sangha crossing to Netaji Vidyamandir. Students from various schools and colleges, teachers and members of the public took part in the rally, while many lined the streets to witness the event, Nadia co-ordinator program of ISRO science exhibition bus.

The exhibition showcases models and proto-



types of several landmark Indian space missions and technologies, including satellites, rocket engines, Chandrayaan-1, Chandrayaan-2, lander Vikram, and Mangalyaan. Students from primary to Class XII were seen enthusiastically exploring the displays and interacting with experts to understand the basics of space research.

The procession was inaugurated by noted scientist and Padma Shri awardee Dr Narayan Chakrabarty. Among those

present were Dr Arindam Guha, Head of Applications, ISRO Kolkata; Dr Saptarshi Biswas, Executive Member, Vijnana Bharati; ISRO scientist Dr Prabir Das; scientists from IISER Kolkata; VVM National Coordinator Nareshji; Dr Supriya Mitra, Dr Amlan Kumar Ray, and Dr Jayanta Chakrabarty, Director of CLART, Physician Atin Mandal along with several other scientists and educationists.

Students from Don Bosco English Medium School and other nearby in-

stitutions participated in the exhibition. Prithish Dutta, a Class II student, said he was thrilled to see models of spacecraft and dreams of working with ISRO in the future. Father V. T. Josh, Principal of Don Bosco said such initiatives play a crucial role in nurturing scientific curiosity and technological awareness among students.

According to organisers, “Space on Wheels” is designed not just as an exhibition but as an interactive learning platform to inspire the next generation of scientists and innovators. This is the first time such a mobile space science exhibition has been held in the Kalyani subdivision, drawing strong participation from students, teachers and parents.

The exhibition was open to visitors at Netaji Vidyamandir from 10:30 am, and included science lectures, interactive sessions, model demonstrations, poster presentations and quiz programmes.



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