



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON RECENT TRENDS IN SCIENCE AND SPACE TECHNOLOGY.

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An International Conference on Recent trends in Science and Space Technology was jointly organised by Sri Raaja Raajan College of Engineering and Technology and Sri Raaja Raajan CBSE School at Amaravathipudur, Karaikudi. The chief guest of the conference was Dr. Don Thomas, NASA Astronaut from the United States. He was a space walker, went to space for four times and has spent more than 45 days in space was a remarkable achievement in his career.

The programme was presided over by Dr. S. Subbiah, Chairman of Sri Raaja Raajan Group of institutions and former Vice-Chancellor of Alagappa University. In his presidential address, he emphasised that students should acquire knowledge and skills in the rapidly developing field of space technology. He encouraged students to achieve greater heights in life through hard work, perseverance and determination.



Mr. Kayambu Ramalingam, NASA educational tour organizer, Chennai delivered the felicitation address. He highlighted the growing importance of Artificial Intelligence in space research and encouraged students to develop knowledge and skills in AI and emerging space technologies.

Best Teacher National Awardee & the Eminent Poet Mr.Thangam Moorthy and Dr. Sadasivam from the United States delivered their felicitations and shared their words of encouragement with the students.

The chief guest, Dr. Don Thomas, shared his personal experiences of space travel with the students and explained the exciting future opportunities available in the field of space technology. He also interacted enthusiastically with the students and answered hundreds of questions raised by school and college students . His interaction provided the students with valuable insights into space exploration, scientific research and future career opportunities in the space sector.



As a special honour, “Space Achiever Award” was presented to Dr. Don Thomas on behalf of Sri Raaja Raajan College of Engineering and Technology in recognition of his remarkable achievements and contributions to space exploration.

More than 2,000 students from over 100 schools and colleges participated in the international conference. The event provided a valuable platform for students to learn about the latest developments in space technology and to interact directly with an accomplished NASA astronaut.



Dr.A. Muthu kumar, Principal of Sri Raaja Raajan College of Engineering and Technology, Dr. M.Sivakumar, Dean/Academic, Mrs. M.Vadivambal Academic Coordinator Sri Raaja Raajan CBSE School, along with correspondents and principals of various schools and colleges, teachers and students were participated in this conference.

The international seminar was a significant educational initiative aimed at inspiring students to explore the emerging opportunities in space science, space technology, artificial intelligence and scientific research.

