

PRESS NOTE

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A Tribute to the Nation's Past - SRM University-AP Celebrated 79th Independence Day of India

SRM University-AP celebrated the 79th Independence Day of India with great national pride and fervor. The celebrations featured the hoisting of the national flag by Vice Chancellor, Prof. Manoj K Arora, cultural programmes, felicitation of student athletic champions who secured national-level and state-level medals in various championships and honouring the staff who have completed five years of dedicated service to the university. The event was graciously attended by the Pro-Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ch Satish Kumar, Registrar, Dr R Premkumar, Deans of all schools, Directors, faculty, staff and students.

In his Independence Day address, Prof. Arora spoke of the collective dream of seeing India as a developed nation through the Viksit Bharat by 2047, stressing the importance of economic, social, and environmental sustainability on campus. Calling youth, the greatest resource of the nation, he drew attention to SRM AP's mission to provide "holistic, inclusive, and adaptive" education that shapes students into global citizens. He encouraged embracing technology in education, reimagining learning with AI, and adopting the philosophy to "learn, unlearn, and relearn."

The university also honoured the remarkable achievements of the students in the field of sports. Ms Kunja Ranjita (B.Com. 1st year), winner of a Gold Medal in the Women's 4×400m Relay at the 26th Asian Athletics Championship, was presented with a cash award of ₹5 lakhs along with Ms Budde Shanmukhi Naga Sai (B.Com. 1st year), who broke two world records and secured three silver medals in Compound Archery at the Singapore 2025 Asia Cup Leg 2, who received a ₹10 lakh award. The event also witnessed the felicitation of non-teaching staff members with mementoes who completed five years of service for their long-standing contributions to the university.

Cultural programmes by the students and staff, including a yoga demonstration, semi-classical dance performance, short skit and melodious songs showcased India's artistic diversity and its values, resonating the true patriotic spirit.

The 79th Independence Day celebrations at SRM University-AP were a tribute to the nation's past, a celebration of its present, and an inspiration for its future.