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## **Dr. Jitendra Singh Interacts With Indian Students Selected For NASA Competition**

### **India Has Huge Science Talent**

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**USPA NEWS** - The Minister of State for DoNER, Dr. Jitendra Singh with the team of the Indian students selected for NASA, USA "International Space Competition" [?], in New Delhi on June 29, 2016.

### **India Has Huge Science Talent Waiting To Be Streamlined**

Twelve Indian students have been selected to participate in the prestigious "International Space Settlement Design Competition" [?] (ISSDC) at NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) in Florida, US. This was disclosed here by Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER), Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Youth Affairs and Sports, MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr. Jitendra Singh when he invited these students here yesterday, for an interactive session on the eve of their departure for Florida.

Hailing the achievement of the children, all of whom are from Class 10 to 12 from Delhi Public School, R.K. Puram, New Delhi, Dr. Jitendra Singh said, India has huge science talent waiting to be streamlined. In the field of Space Technology particularly, he said, as a result of Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi's added impetus to various projects at the ISRO (Indian Space Research Organization) and also the universally acclaimed success of Mars Mission, more and more youngsters are feeling inspired to try their skill and innovative aptitude in the field of Space Technology.

Dr. Jitendra Singh said that the team of 12 students which is leaving for the Space competition at NASA, not only deserves every kind of encouragement, but, in addition, their success story should be widely propagated among school children across the country, so that those with hidden talent for Space experimentation may be able to realize their talent and at the same time also become aware of the various options currently available across the world for developing their scientific skills.

It is no small achievement, said Dr. Jitendra Singh, that the 12 students' team going for the NASA competition was selected through a very rigorous and objective competition at continental level. Their names were finalized for the international finals only after they won the Asian regional round against teams from countries including Pakistan, China, Japan and Korea, he added.

Dr. Jitendra Singh assured the young scientists of all possible help from Government of India. He said, besides Department of Space, which is directly dealt by him, he will also request the Ministry of Science and Technology to work out a suitable mechanism to support the scientific growth of these youngsters.

Dr. Jitendra Singh said that it will be a great learning experience not only for these boys but also for their peers across the country when, at NASA, they go through the proposed competitive process of designing a "City in Space" [?] that can be a home for over 10,000 people.

Among the NASA selected students present on the occasion were Varun Arora, Dibyadarshi Dash, Aman Siddhant, Aditya Soni, Suryansh Garg, Hersh Aditya Singh, Aryan Gupta, Raj Bakshi, Arunim Gupta, Yash Khurana, Anhad Singh and Shashwat Goel.

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