

REPORT

Birthday of Dr A P J Abdul Kalam
October 15, 2019

Delhi State Centre of The Institution of Engineers (India) is celebrated Birthday of Dr A P J Abdul Kalam on October 15, 2019 at Engineers Bhawan, New Delhi. On this occasion, Shri Pradeep Chaturvedi, Council Member, The Institution of Engineers (India) was the Chief Guest of the function and delivered the lecture.

Delivering the welcome address, Shri Dinesh Kumar, Chairman Delhi State Centre-IEI mentioned about the contribution towards the education. He mentioned that Dr. Kalam was a practical educational thinker and visionary who stand for integrating ancient and modern educational ideals for the development of a balanced Indian society. Further he mentioned that being a top scientist of international reputation, his direct contribution to the advancement of science and technology is unique and commendable. His scholarly research publications, articles, books etc. have opened new avenues for research and studies in the area of aeronautics, ballistics, and metallurgy.

Chief Guest of the function Shri Pradeep Chaturvedi, Council Member, IEI apprised that Dr. Kalam played a major role in developing many missiles under the Mission Agni and Mission Prithvi. He served as a Chief Scientific Advisor and Secretary of the DRDO from 1992 to 1999. During this period Pokhran-II nuclear tests were conducted and he played an intensive political and technological role. Due to all his contributions, he was known as "Missile Man of India". Dr. Kalam served as Chief Scientific Advisor to the Prime Minister and Secretary of the Defence Research and Development Organisation from July 1992 to December 1999.

In 2002, Dr. Kalam won the Presidential election and was elected as the eleventh President of India. He served as President of India from 25 July 2002 to 25 July, 2007. He was a respectable scientist and engineer and played critical role in development of Indian Space Programme. He was people's man and people's President. He was recipient of several prestigious awards including the Bharat Ratna.

Shri Jitendra Kumar Sharma, Honorary Secretary, The Institution of Engineers (India), Delhi State Centre coordinated the event and proposed the vote of thanks.

Nearly 40 members, guests and invitees attended the function.

